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Dear Readers:

Thank you for your concern regarding child abuse and neglect in Missouri. This report numerically represents all child abuse/neglect investigations completed in Missouri in 1997. In addition, there is a description of Family Assessments, a process which limits intrusion in the family while offering appropriate services. This demonstration project was called for in 1994 legislation. Legislative approval was passed in May, 1998 for expansion of this project statewide.

As we review the following statistics, we are aware of the many families who need support and whose children represent the future. The Division of Family Services is devoted to ensuring the safety of the children, while keeping as many families together as possible. When children must be removed from their home, we are committed to providing them the best possible care and ensuring a permanent home.

While we know it is sometimes a difficult job, we commend the efforts of all who work with children and families. High quality support for the children in Missouri is a duty we share with many other committed citizens in the state.

Sincerely,

Carmen K. Schulze  
Director



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# ***Introduction***

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## **Summary Statistics**

This report compiles data collected by the Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS), Division of Family Services (DFS) in the course of Child Abuse and/or Neglect (CA/N) investigations/assessments.

### ***Reports***

- During 1997 there were 51,180 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 80,200 children.

Total Number of Reports	51,180
Total Number of Reported Children	80,200

### ***Probable Cause***

- There were 10,159 probable cause incidents, involving 15,596 children. This represents approximately twenty percent (20%) of all reports.

Total Number of Probable Cause Reports	10,159
Total Number of Probable Cause Children	15,596

### ***Child Protection Services Demonstration (SB 595)***

- In five demonstration areas across the state, a total of 6,082 reports were screened Family Assessment (FA) in accordance with Senate Bill 595, which was signed into law in 1994. These reports involved 9,613 children.

Total Number of FA Incidents	6,082
Total Number of FA Children	9,613

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.

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## **Definitions**

### **Legal:**

The Missouri Child Abuse Law, Section 210.110 RSMo defines:

**Abuse** as any physical injury, sexual abuse, or emotional abuse inflicted on a child other than by accidental means by those responsible for the child's care, custody, and control except that discipline including spanking, administered in a reasonable manner shall not be construed to be abuse; and

**Neglect** as failure to provide, by those responsible for the care, custody, and control of the child, the proper or necessary support, education as required by law, nutrition or medical, surgical, or any other care necessary for the child's well-being.

**Care, custody and control** of the child, includes but is not limited to the parents or guardian of a child, other members of the child's household, or those exercising supervision over a child for any part of a twenty-four hour day. Those responsible for the care, custody and control shall also include any adult, who, based on their relationship to the parents of the child, members of the child's household or the family, has access to the child.

**Investigation** is the collection of physical and verbal evidence to determine if a child has been abused or neglected.

**Family assessment and services** is an approach which provides for a prompt assessment of a child who has been reported to the DFS as a victim of abuse or neglect by a person responsible for that child's care, custody or control and of that child's family. This includes risk of abuse and neglect and, if necessary, the provision of community-based services to reduce the risk and support the family. This approach takes the place of the traditional investigation and for this report period applies only to the five areas participating in the Senate Bill 595 Child Protection System demonstration.

### **Operational:**

At the end of each child abuse/neglect investigation/assessment, the social worker reaches a conclusion. The following are operational definitions for investigative conclusions:

**Probable Cause:** A finding that abuse/neglect has occurred or is occurring as a result of the observation of visible signs, physical and/or credible verbal evidence provided to the Children's Services worker by the child, perpetrator or witnesses in accordance with the definitions of abuse/neglect. This also includes cases which are adjudicated by the courts.

**Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated:** A finding that insufficient visible signs, physical and/or credible evidence exist, but where the social worker determines that indicators are present which, if unresolved, could potentially contribute to child abuse/neglect.

**Unsubstantiated:** A finding that insufficient physical or credible verbal evidence exists and where few or no indicators are identified and the social worker has not identified a specific threat exists for the child.



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Operationally, a family assessment is completed in five demonstration areas in place of an investigation for certain types of CA/N reports. The following are definitions for Family Assessment conclusions:

**Services Needed:** The family is in need of services which may be provided by opening a Family-centered Services case or by referral to a community resource or other support system.

**Services Not Needed:** The family is not in need of services.

**Non-cooperative/Child Safe:** The family refuses to cooperate and the worker has been able to document that the child is safe and that there is not a serious risk of abuse/neglect.

For a small number of reports, the above definitions are not applicable. Other conclusions for either investigations or assessments include **Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State** and **Home Schooling**.

### Methodological:

The following are technical definitions used in the computations of the statistics throughout this report:

**Reported incident:** An allegation of child abuse/neglect made to the hotline which meets the legal definitions for abuse/neglect and for care, custody, and control. A reported incident may involve more than one child and more than one alleged perpetrator.

**Incident conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each child and to each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. If at least one child is found probable cause, the incident is considered to be found probable cause.

**Incident category of abuse/neglect:** Up to four categories of abuse/neglect can be assigned to each probable cause child. Each incident may have up to six categories of abuse/neglect because each child may be found probable cause for different types of abuse/neglect. For incidents involving more than one child, each category of abuse/neglect is counted once if at least one child was found probable cause for that category.

**Reported child:** A child named in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A child may be reported more than one time during the year, and unless otherwise indicated, counts of children are duplicated in this report.

**Child conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each child involved in an incident. Some children in the report may be found probable cause while others may be unsubstantiated.

**Child category of abuse/neglect:** Each probable cause child may be assigned up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

**Alleged perpetrator:** A person named as the perpetrator in a reported incident of child abuse/neglect. An alleged perpetrator may be involved in more than one incident during the year, and unless otherwise indicated, counts of alleged perpetrators are duplicated in this report.

**Alleged perpetrator conclusion:** The Children's Services worker assigns a conclusion to each alleged perpetrator involved in an incident. One perpetrator in a report may be found probable cause while another may be unsubstantiated.

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## ***Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments***

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### **Reports to Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline**

Over the past year, the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline Unit (CANHU) received 51,180 reports of child abuse/neglect, involving 80,200 children. The CANHU is operated year-round on a 24 hours per day, seven days per week basis by 35 trained and experienced Children's Services workers. Missouri's toll-free number for reporting child abuse/neglect is **1-800-392-3738**.

When a call is received at the CANHU, information is analyzed to determine whether:

- the child is under age 18;
- the alleged perpetrator has care, custody and control of the child;
- the alleged abusive or neglectful treatment is having an adverse effect on the child; and
- the report meets the definition of abuse/neglect described in state statutes.

Within moments of receiving a report, the information is forwarded electronically to one of the 114 county offices or the St. Louis City office for investigation. Investigations/assessments must be initiated within 24 hours or immediately when it is determined that the child is in imminent danger. An exception is when the only allegation is educational neglect. In this case, an investigation/assessment must be initiated within 72 hours. Social workers have 30 days to complete their investigations/assessments.

A call to the hotline is referred to as a report or reported incident of child abuse/neglect. A report may involve from one to several children. From 1993 through 1995 reported incidents increased; however, between 1996 and 1997 there was a decrease in both the number of reported incidents and children.

**Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline  
and Annual Percent Change**

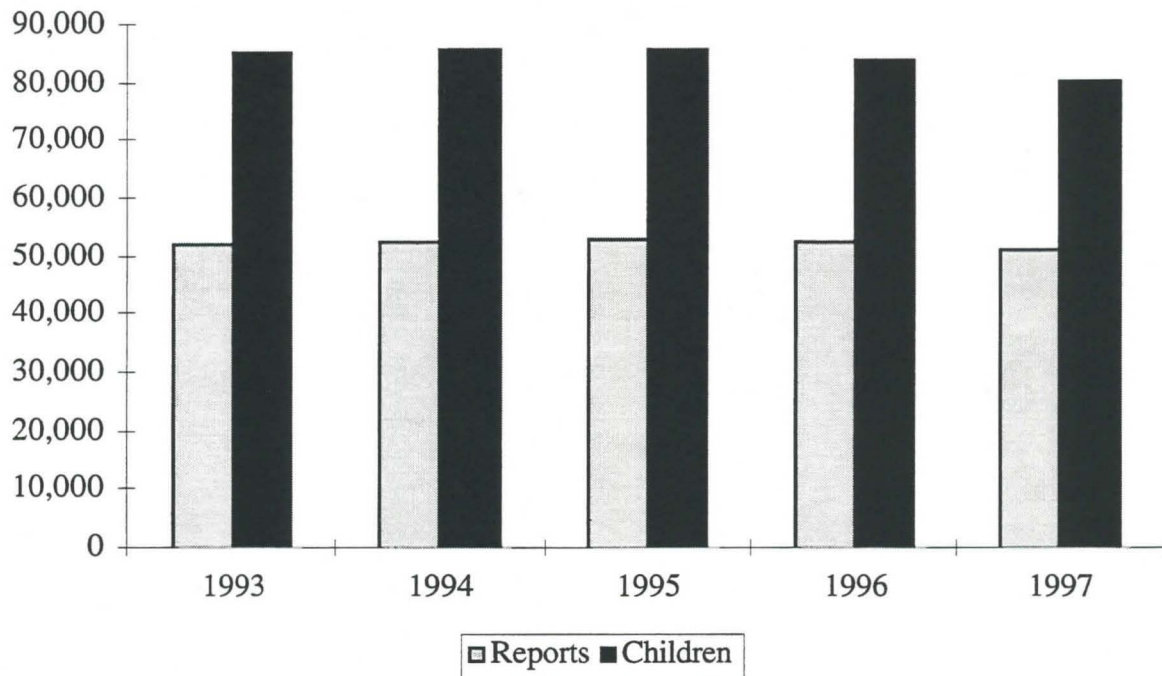
<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Reports</u>	<u>Annual Change</u>	<u>Total Children</u>	<u>Annual Change</u>
1993	52,259		85,318	
1994	52,717	0.9%	85,956	0.7%
1995	52,897	0.3%	85,881	-0.1%
1996	52,527	-0.7%	83,855	-2.4%
1997	51,180	-2.6%	80,200	-4.4%

Note: All counts of children are duplicated because a child may be reported more than once during the year.



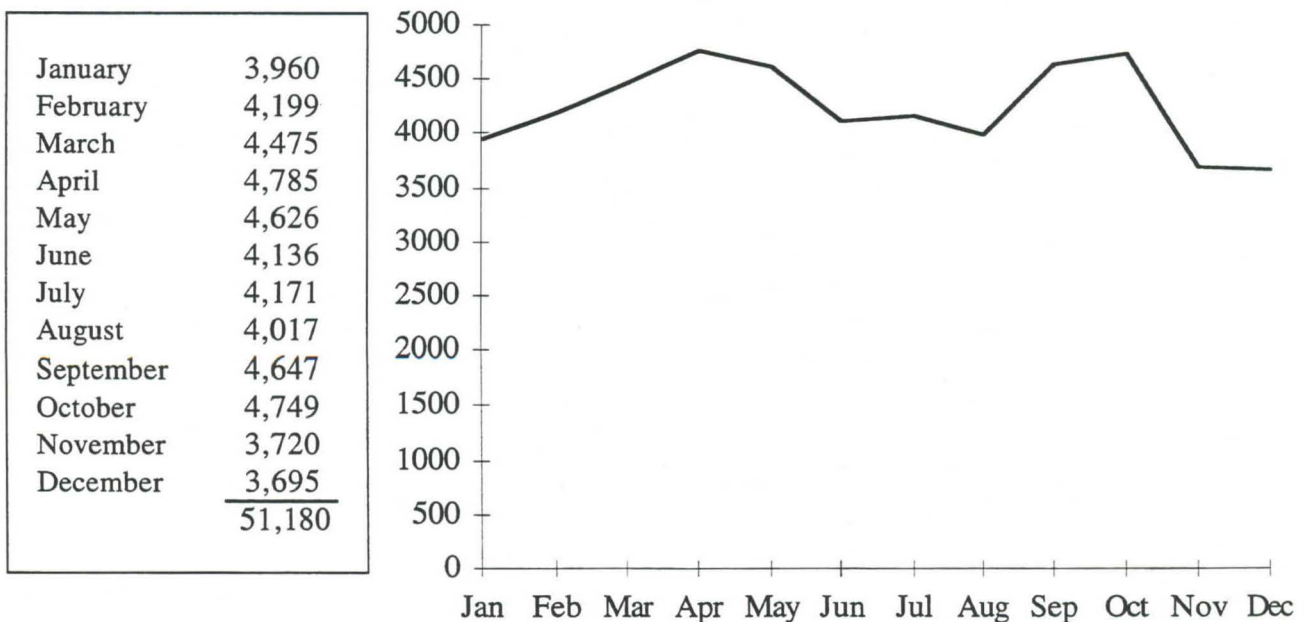
## Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

### Incidents and Children Reported to the Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline, 1993-1997



- During 1997, the month with the most reports to the CA/N hotline was April with 4,785 reports, followed by October with 4,749. December had the fewest number of reports with 3,695.

### 1997 Child Abuse/Neglect Reports, by Month of Report





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## Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

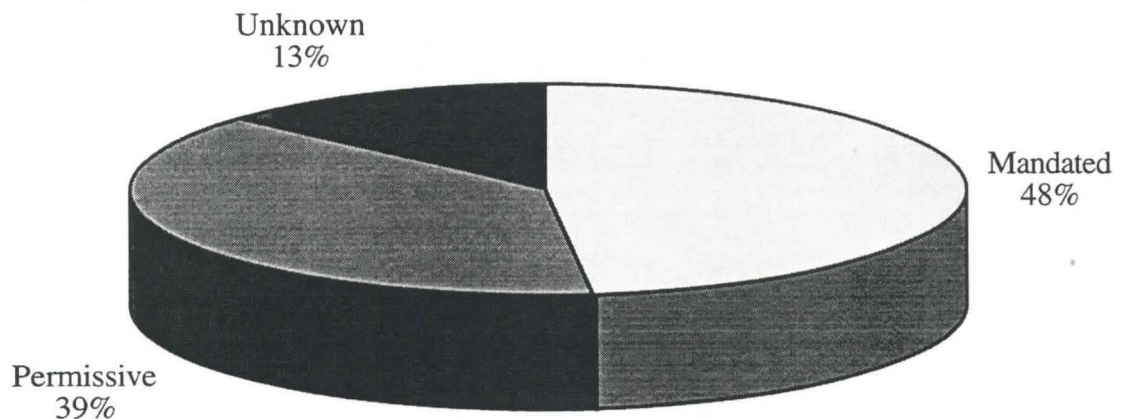
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### Reporters

Reports of child abuse/neglect can be made by persons who are either "mandated" or "permissive" reporters. Mandated reporters are required by state statute to report abuse/neglect when they have reasonable cause to suspect a child has been or is being abused. Mandated reporters include health and education professionals, social workers and foster parents, among others. Permissive reporters are those people not required to report suspected abuse/neglect, such as relatives or neighbors.

- Forty-eight percent (48%) of the reports made in 1997 were made by mandated reporters and thirty-nine percent (39%) were made by permissive reporters.

**Child Abuse/Neglect Reporters, 1997  
by Type of Reporter**



**RSMo 210.115. Reports of abuse or neglect, who shall make.** – When any physician, medical examiner, coroner, dentist, chiropractor, podiatrist, resident, intern, nurse, hospital and clinic personnel (engaged in examination, care or treatment of persons), and other health practitioner, psychologist, mental health professional, social worker, day care center worker or other child care worker, juvenile officer, probation or parole officer, teacher, principal or other school official, Christian Science practitioner, peace officer or law enforcement official, or other person with responsibility for the care of children, has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse or neglect, he shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the division in accordance with the provisions of sections 210.110 to 210.165.

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## ***Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments***

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- The most common mandated reporter occupations were social workers, followed by school officials and law enforcement officers.

### **Reporters of Child Abuse/Neglect by Occupation, 1997**

	<b><u>Number</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>
Permissive	20,946	39.0%
Unknown	6,983	13.0%
Social worker	5,876	10.9%
Principal or other school official	5,219	9.7%
Peace officer or law enforcement official	5,078	9.4%
Nurse	2,315	4.3%
Mental health professional	2,176	4.0%
Other person with responsibility for care of children	1,098	2.0%
Juvenile officer	976	1.8%
Physician	865	1.6%
Teacher	703	1.3%
Day care center or other child care worker	592	1.1%
Psychologist	405	0.8%
Foster parents	151	0.3%
Other hospital/clinic personnel	116	0.2%
Probation or parole officer	92	0.2%
Other health practitioner	66	0.1%
Medical examiner	28	0.1%
Intern	24	0.0%
Coroner	19	0.0%
Dentist/Dental hygienist	16	0.0%
Christian Science practitioner	6	0.0%
Resident	5	0.0%
Optometrist	5	0.0%
Chiropractor	3	0.0%
	<b><u>53,763</u></b>	<b><u>100.0%</u></b>

Note: Reporters exceed reports because more than one person may report an incident.

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## ***Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments***

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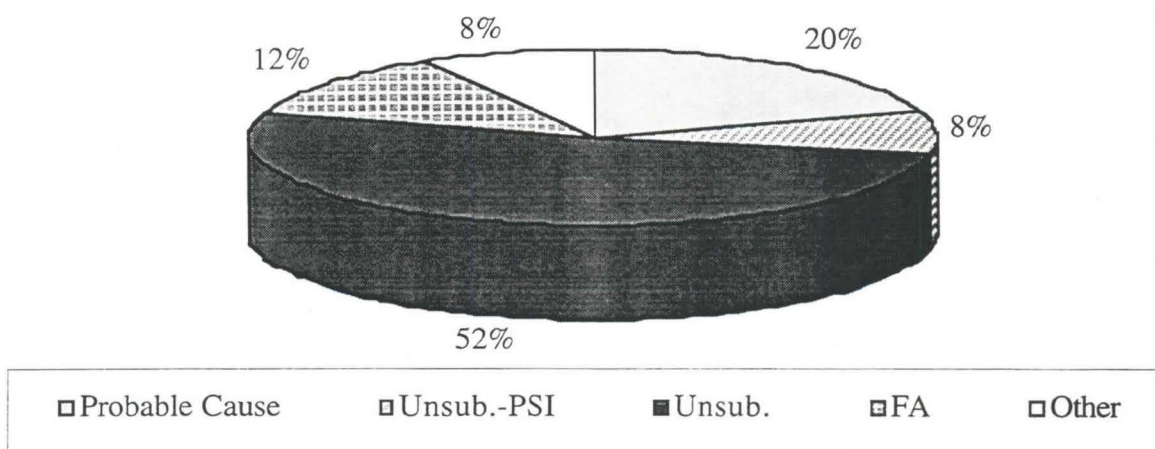
### **Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations/Family Assessments**

Children's Services workers investigate/assess each report to determine if abuse/neglect is occurring or has occurred and evaluate the family's need for services. Thorough investigations/assessments require hours of interviews and information collection, and usually include the major steps listed below:

- Contacting the reporter, if known, for additional information before proceeding with the investigation;
- Contacting appropriate law enforcement personnel or multidisciplinary team members to request a co-investigation if the report involves sexual abuse or serious physical abuse/neglect;
- Making a determination regarding the safety of the child within 24 hours;
- Contacting collateral persons;
- Interviewing witnesses;
- Interviewing the non-offending parent;
- Interviewing the alleged perpetrator(s);
- Evaluating and documenting all information collected and observed;
- Determining whether abuse/neglect has or is occurring; and
- Evaluating the family's need for services and making appropriate referrals for needed services.

DFS policy requires completion of investigations/assessments within 30 days. When the Children's Services worker determines that there is probable cause to believe that abuse/neglect has occurred, or is occurring, the family is advised of available services. The family also is offered services when the investigative conclusion is Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or when a Family Assessment indicates the need for services.

**Reported Incidents by Conclusion, 1997**



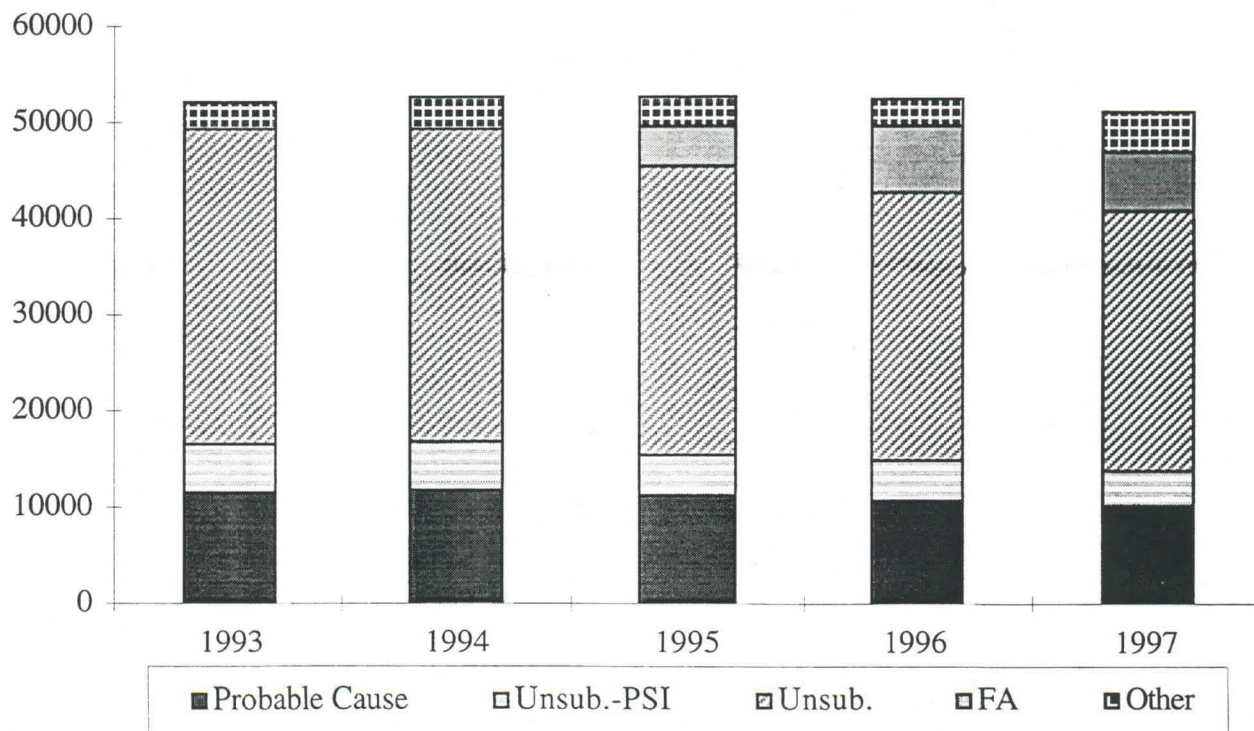


# Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

## Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1993 - 1997

	Probable Cause		Unsubstantiated- PSI		Unsubstantiated		FA *		Other		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1993	11,749	22.5%	4,856	9.3%	32,849	62.9%	N/A	N/A	2,805	5.4%	52,259
1994	12,044	22.8%	4,839	9.2%	32,548	61.7%	N/A	N/A	3,286	6.2%	52,717
1995	11,278	21.3%	4,411	8.3%	29,970	56.7%	3,997	7.6%	3,241	6.1%	52,897
1996	10,935	20.8%	4,187	8.0%	27,777	52.9%	6,712	12.8%	2,916	5.6%	52,527
1997	10,159	19.8%	3,867	7.6%	26,724	52.2%	6,082	11.9%	4,348	8.5%	51,180

## Reported Incidents by Conclusion 1993 - 1997



Conclusions are as follows:

Probable Cause - Court Adjudicated and Probable Cause

Unsub.-PSI - Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated

Unsub. - Unsubstantiated

FA - Family Assessment: Services Needed, Services Not Needed, and Non-cooperative/Child Safe

Other - Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling

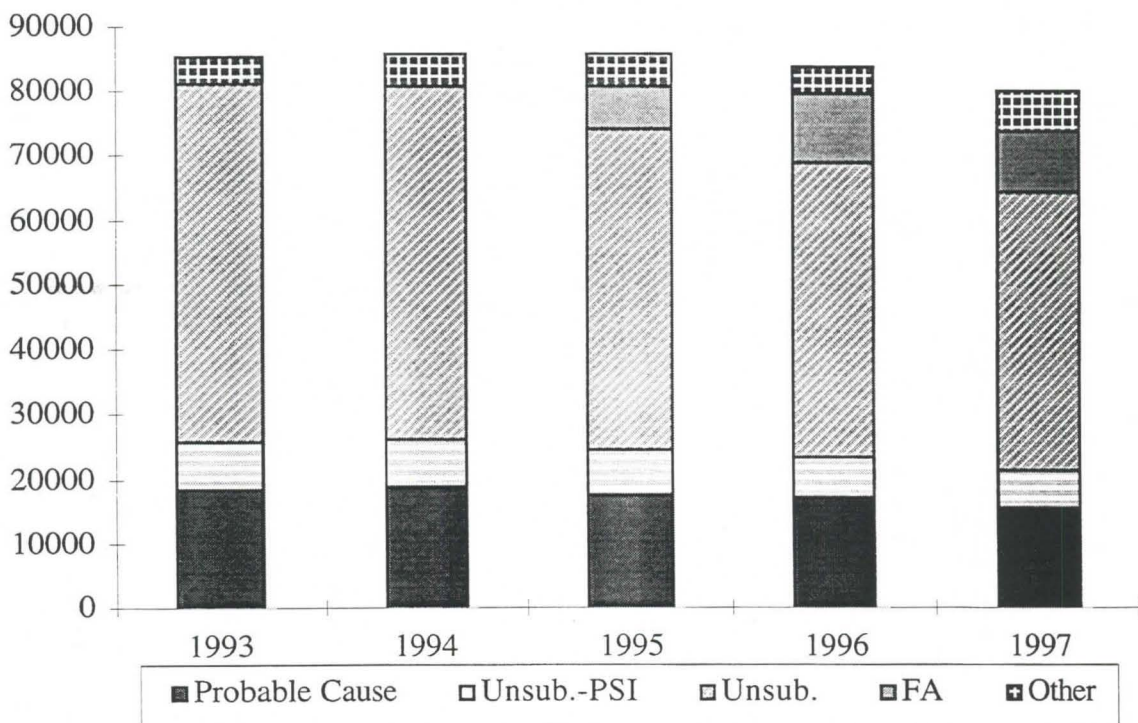
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# Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments

## Reported Children by Conclusion 1993 - 1997

	Probable Cause		Unsubstantiated- PSI		Unsubstantiated		FA*		Other		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
1993	18,484	21.7%	7,455	8.7%	55,271	64.8%	N/A	N/A	4,108	4.8%	85,318
1994	18,960	22.1%	7,432	8.6%	54,635	63.6%	N/A	N/A	4,929	5.7%	85,956
1995	17,815	20.7%	6,788	7.9%	49,828	58.0%	6,635	7.7%	4,815	5.6%	85,881
1996	17,141	20.4%	6,452	7.7%	45,377	54.1%	10,586	12.6%	4,299	5.1%	83,855
1997	15,596	19.4%	5,896	7.4%	42,838	53.4%	9,613	12.0%	6,257	7.8%	80,200

## Reported Children by Conclusion 1993 - 1997



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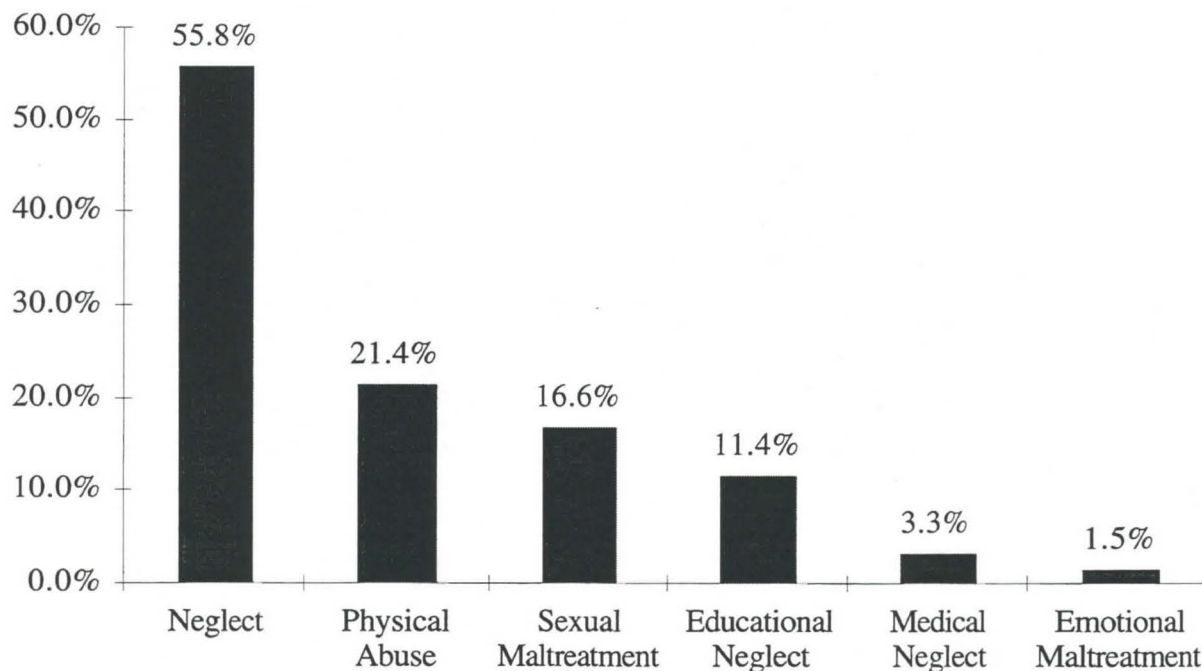
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## ***Reports and Investigations/Family Assessments***

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During the year, 15,596 children were involved in incidents that were found probable cause for abuse or neglect. When a Children's Services worker determines there is probable cause that abuse/neglect has occurred, each child can be assigned up to four categories of abuse/neglect. As the graph below indicates, the most prevalent category is neglect, followed by physical abuse and sexual maltreatment.

**Probable Cause Children  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1997**



**Probable Cause Children by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1997**

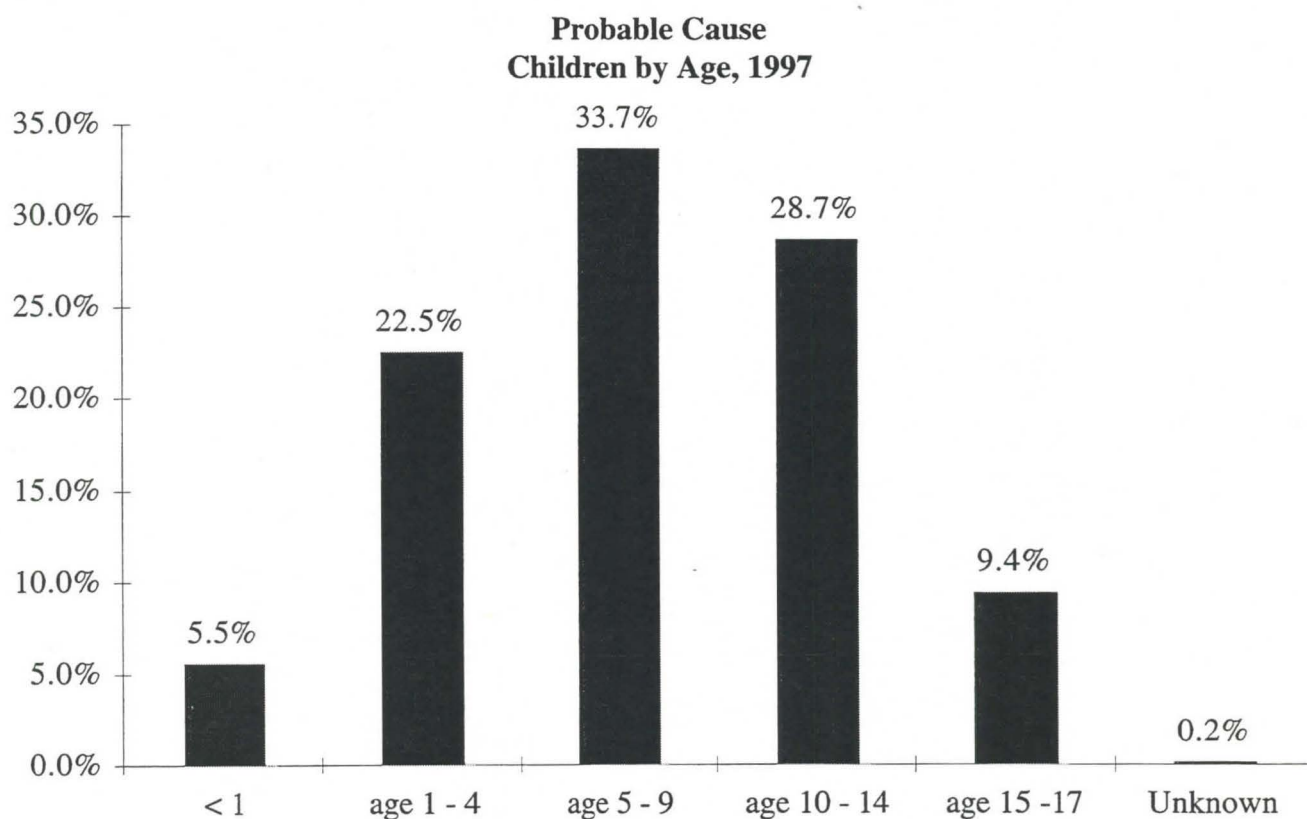
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Neglect	8,710	55.8%
Physical Abuse	3,332	21.4%
Sexual Maltreatment	2,582	16.6%
Educational Neglect	1,771	11.4%
Medical Neglect	517	3.3%
Emotional Maltreatment	240	1.5%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.



# Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

## Child Demographics

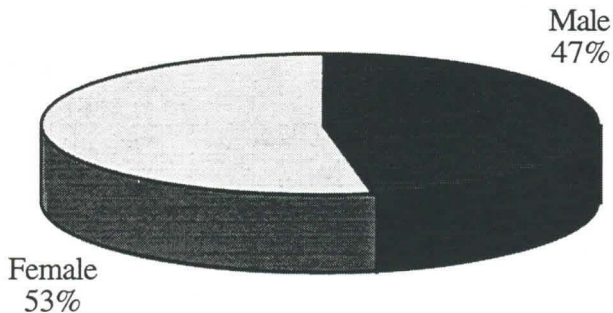


- The most common age group for probable cause children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14. Relatively few (5.5%) of probable cause children were less than one year old.

Probable Cause Children by Age, 1997					
Age	Number	Percent	Age	Number	Percent
< 1	856	5.5%	10	891	5.7%
1	763	4.9%	11	837	5.4%
2	833	5.3%	12	896	5.7%
3	947	6.1%	13	928	6.0%
4	961	6.2%	14	919	5.9%
5	1,077	6.9%	15	798	5.1%
6	1,143	7.3%	16	498	3.2%
7	1,146	7.3%	17	172	1.1%
8	954	6.1%	Unknown	37	0.2%
9	940	6.0%		15,596	100.0%

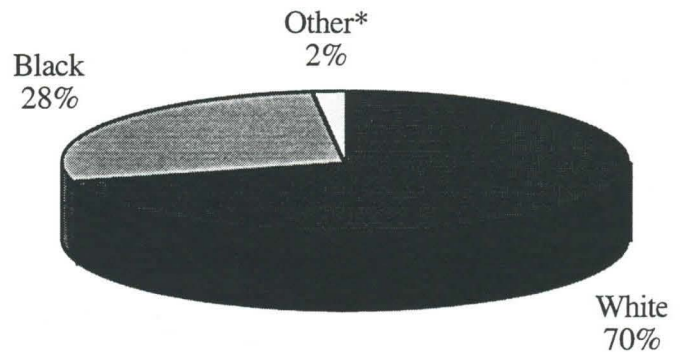
# Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause  
Children by Sex, 1997**



- In 1997, forty-seven percent (47%) of the probable cause children were male, and fifty-three percent (53%) were female.

**Probable Cause  
Children by Race, 1997**



- Seventy percent (70%) of probable cause children were white and twenty-eight percent (28%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

**Sex and Race of Probable Cause Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	7,339	47.1%	White	10,884	69.8%
Female	8,256	52.9%	Black	4,433	28.4%
Unknown	1	0.0%	Hispanic	123	0.8%
	<u>15,596</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Oriental	39	0.3%
			American Indian	41	0.3%
			Other	45	0.3%
			Unknown	31	0.2%
				<u>15,596</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

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## ***Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect***

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Information gathered during an investigation of child abuse/neglect can help identify factors which place a child at risk for abuse/ neglect. In addition to establishing an investigative conclusion for each child, Children's Services workers may designate up to four **Observed Family Characteristics** for each reported incident. For families where abuse/neglect is found, these characteristics may indicate which services could help prevent the reoccurrence of abuse/neglect. It is important to note that these are not absolute counts. For instance, a problem with alcohol or other drugs may be difficult to detect during the course of an investigation.

- The family characteristics reported in 1997 are similar to those reported during the last five years. Over thirty-five percent (35%) of the probable cause incidents involved single parent families. Thirty-one (31%) of the families involved in probable cause incidents were amenable to services. The top twenty family characteristics are listed below.

### **Characteristics of Families Involved in Probable Cause Incidents, 1997** (Non-institutional incidents only)

	<u><b>Number</b></u>	<u><b>Percent</b></u>
Single parent household	3,615	35.6%
Amenable to services	3,185	31.4%
Lack of parenting skills	2,927	28.8%
Adequate living conditions	2,853	28.1%
Stable family relationship/household	1,225	12.1%
Appropriate parenting skills	1,059	10.4%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	897	8.8%
Insufficient/misuse of income	856	8.4%
Domestic Violence	738	7.3%
Other drug related problem(s)	726	7.1%
Recent/frequent relocation	693	6.8%
Alcohol related problem(s)	652	6.4%
Marital Problems	611	6.0%
Recent loss/addition to household members	548	5.4%
New baby in home/pregnancy	471	4.6%
Crowded Living Conditions	445	4.4%
Social isolation	319	3.1%
Role reversal	318	3.1%
Extended family support system	312	3.1%
Loss of employment	279	2.7%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to four family characteristics may be reported for each incident.

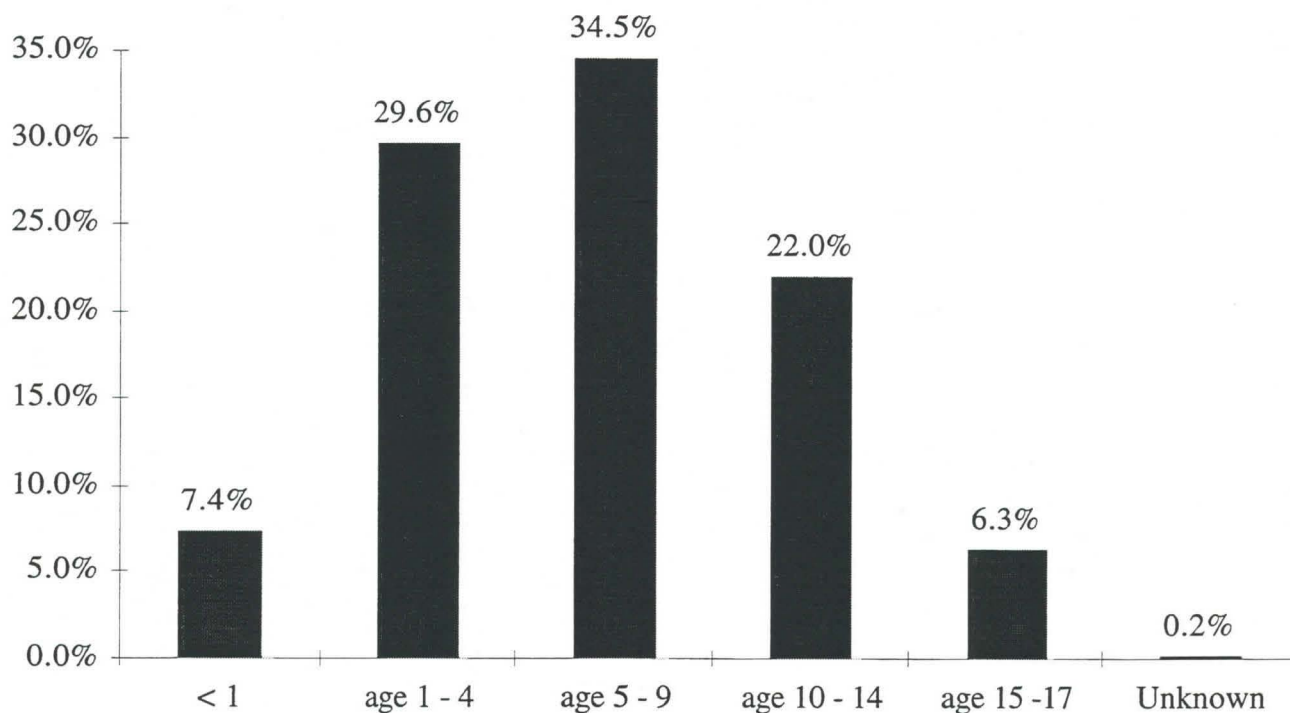


## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

### Neglect

During the year 8,710 children were found probable cause under the category of neglect. Among these children, the most common age group was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 1 - 4.

**Neglected  
Children by Age, 1997**



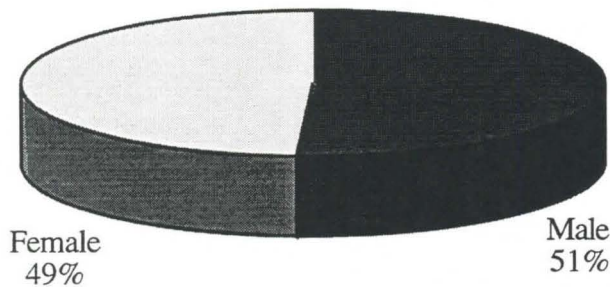
**Neglected  
Children by Age, 1997**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	641	7.4%	10	486	5.6%
1	619	7.1%	11	378	4.3%
2	631	7.2%	12	368	4.2%
3	679	7.8%	13	354	4.1%
4	646	7.4%	14	332	3.8%
5	680	7.8%	15	283	3.2%
6	652	7.5%	16	202	2.3%
7	632	7.3%	17	64	0.7%
8	539	6.2%	Unknown	18	0.2%
9	506	5.8%		8,710	100.0%

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for neglect more than once during the year.

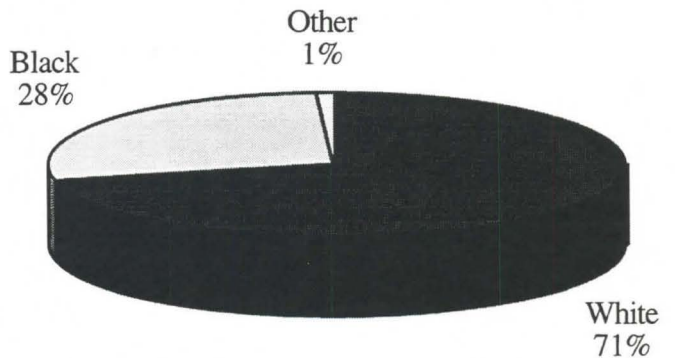
## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Neglected  
Children by Sex, 1997**



- Fifty-one percent (51%) of neglected children were male and forty-nine percent (49%) were female.

**Neglected  
Children by Race, 1997**



- Seventy-one percent (71%) of neglected children were white and twenty-eight percent (28%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

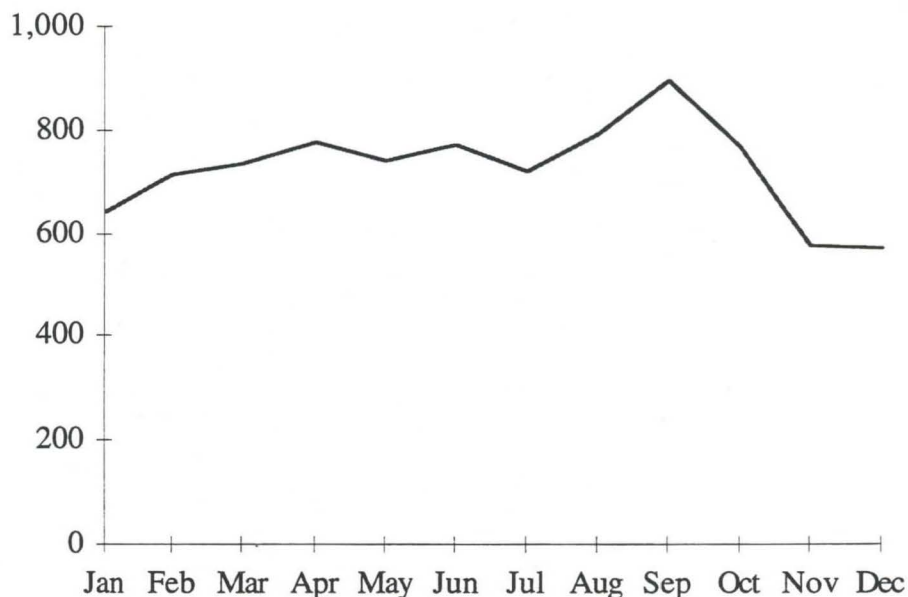
**Sex and Race of Neglected Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	4,425	50.8%	White	6,147	70.6%
Female	4,284	49.2%	Black	2,423	27.8%
Unknown	1	0.0%	Hispanic	61	0.7%
	<u>8,710</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Other	19	0.2%
			American Indian	25	0.3%
			Oriental	20	0.2%
			Unknown	15	0.2%
				<u>8,710</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

# Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Neglected Children by Month of Report, 1997**

January	645
February	716
March	737
April	779
May	740
June	772
July	720
August	792
September	895
October	768
November	576
December	570
	<u>8,710</u>



- September had the highest incidence of child neglect with 895 children. The number of neglected children fell during the autumn months, with the low for the year occurring in December with 570 children.

In addition to assigning categories of abuse or neglect, a Children's Services worker may also describe up to five specific findings of abuse. For neglected children the most frequent worker descriptions are those typically associated with neglect, such as a lack of supervision and unsanitary living conditions. The ten most frequently reported worker findings for neglected children are listed below.

**Worker Findings for Neglected Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Lack of supervision	4,517	51.9%
Unsanitary living conditions	2,035	23.4%
Unsafe/inadequate shelter	1,034	11.9%
Poor hygiene (health threatening)	900	10.3%
Other abuse/neglect	675	7.7%
Parents indifferent to educational needs	575	6.6%
Rejection through indifference	544	6.2%
Lack of food	520	6.0%
Locking in or out, expelling from home	305	3.5%
Untreated illness/injury	299	3.4%

Percent is the percentage of total neglected children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.

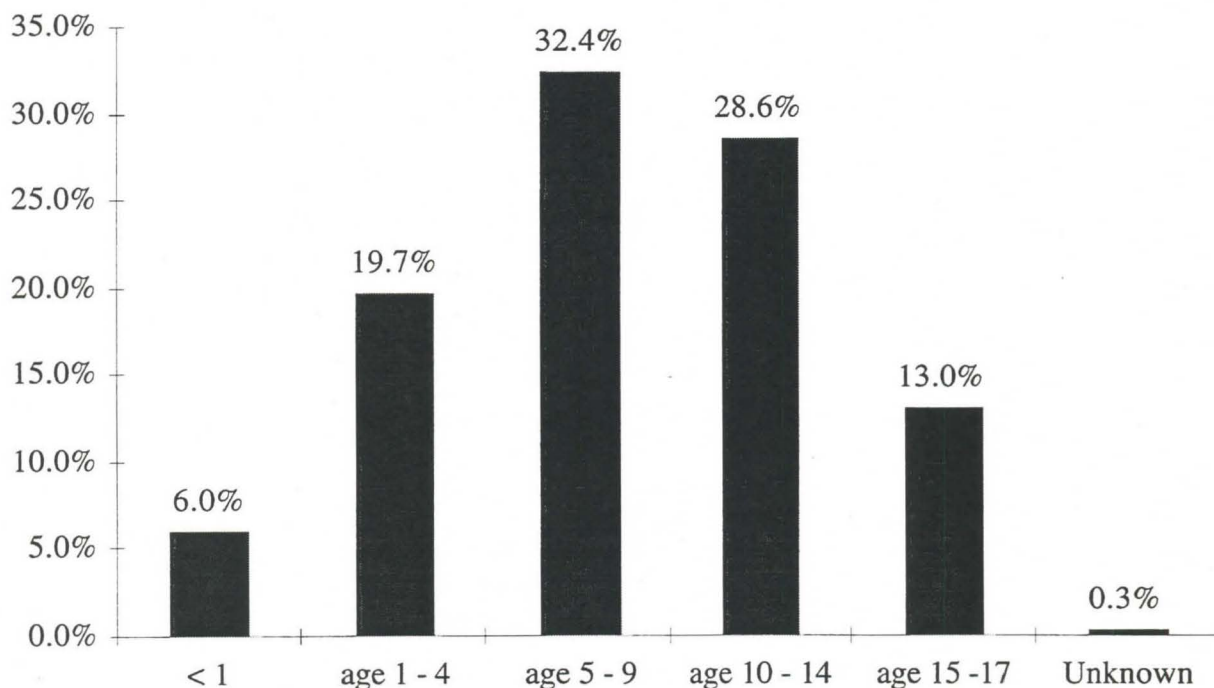


## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

### Physical Abuse

During the year 3,332 children were found probable cause under the category of physical abuse. Among these children the most common age group was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14.

**Physically Abused  
Children by Age, 1997**



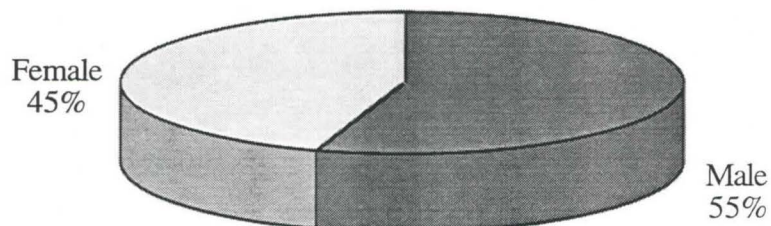
**Physically Abused  
Children by Age, 1997**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	199	6.0%	10	170	5.1%
1	137	4.1%	11	165	5.0%
2	155	4.7%	12	190	5.7%
3	180	5.4%	13	221	6.6%
4	184	5.5%	14	208	6.2%
5	222	6.7%	15	210	6.3%
6	236	7.1%	16	172	5.2%
7	225	6.8%	17	52	1.6%
8	196	5.9%	Unknown	10	0.3%
9	200	6.0%		<u>3,332</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for physical abuse more than one time during the year.

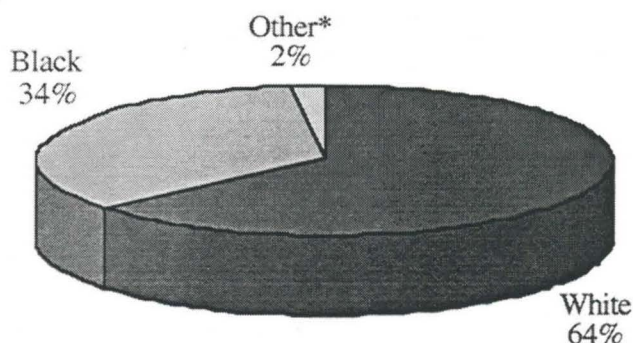
## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Physically Abused  
Children by Sex, 1997**



- Fifty-five percent (55%) of physically abused children were male and forty-five percent (45%) were female.

**Physically Abused  
Children by Race, 1997**



- Sixty-four percent (64%) of physically abused children were white and thirty-four percent (34%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

**Sex and Race of Physically Abused Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	1,827	54.8%	White	2,134	64.0%
Female	1,505	45.2%	Black	1,117	33.5%
	3,332	100.0%	Hispanic	33	1.0%
			Other	17	0.5%
			Oriental	12	0.4%
			American Indian	7	0.2%
			Unknown	12	0.4%
				3,332	100.0%

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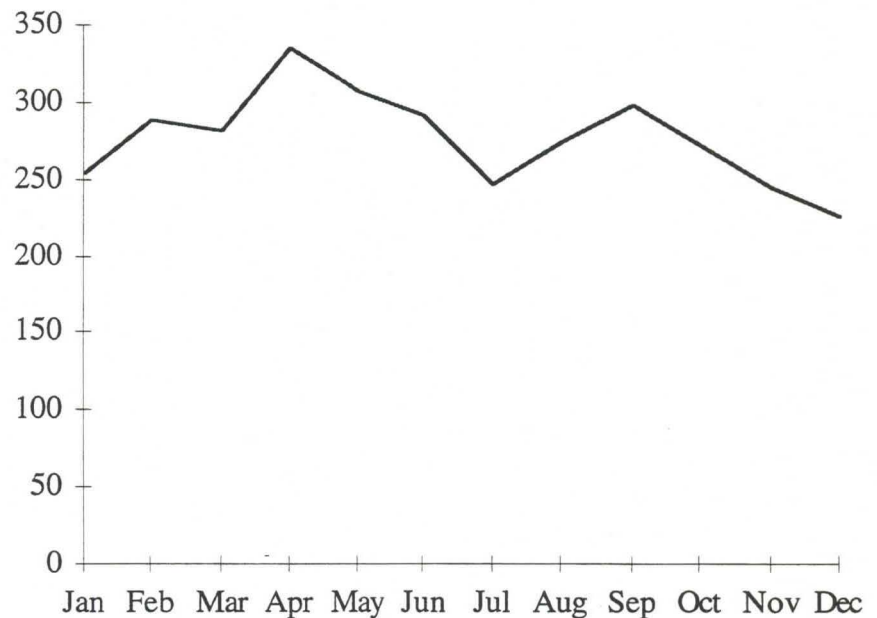
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## *Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect*

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**Physically Abused Children by Month of Report, 1997**

January	254
February	289
March	283
April	336
May	309
June	292
July	247
August	276
September	300
October	273
November	246
December	227
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	3,332



- April had the highest incidence of physically abused children with 336. The number of physically abused children decreased during the spring to mid-summer. The numbers increased again in August and September before declining sharply during the months of October through December.

For physically abused children, the most frequently reported worker findings were bruises, welts or red marks and other physical abuse or injury. Lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently, suggesting that neglect may occur in some abusive situations. The ten most often reported worker findings for physically abused children are listed below.

**Worker Findings for Physically Abused Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Bruises, welts, red marks	2,099	63.0%
Other physical abuse or injury	773	23.2%
Abrasions, lacerations	385	11.6%
Lack of supervision	296	8.9%
Other abuse/neglect	243	7.3%
Wounds, cuts, punctures	169	5.1%
Blaming, verbal abuse, threatening	123	3.7%
Fractures (other than skull)	90	2.7%
Fondling/touching	80	2.4%
Burns, scalding	72	2.2%

Percent is the percentage of all physically abused children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.

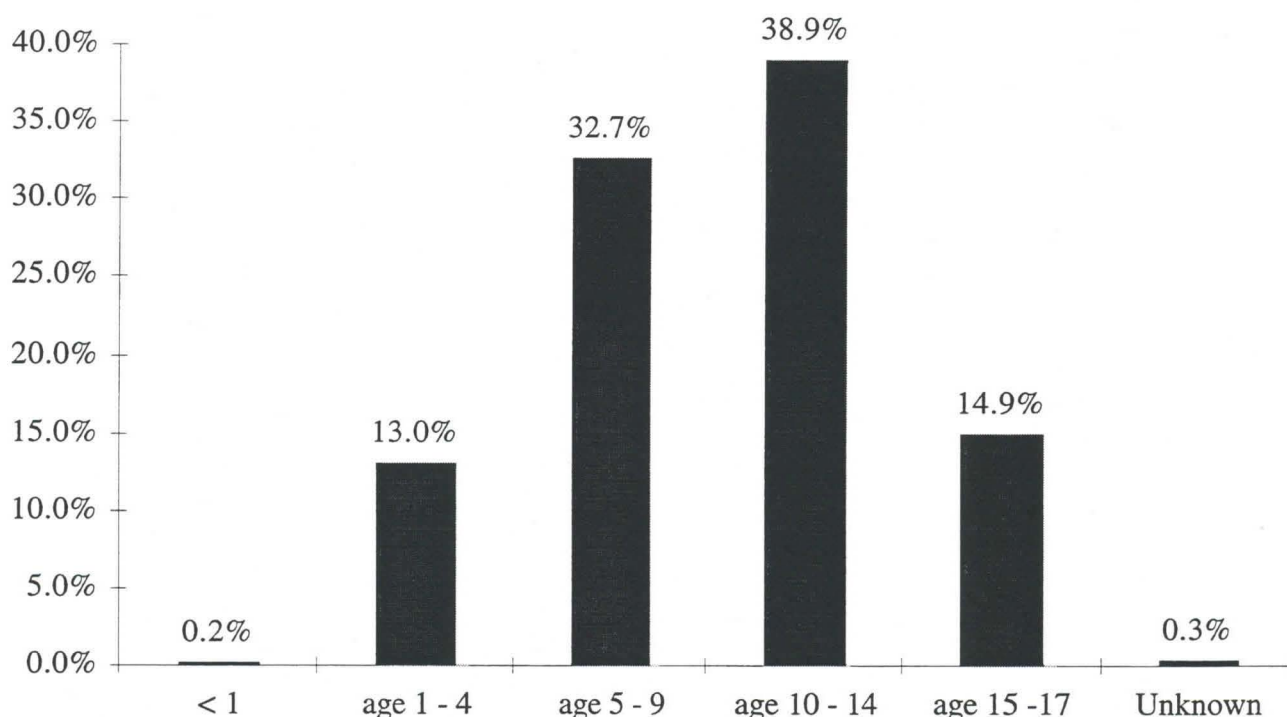


# Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

## Sexual Maltreatment

During the year 2,582 children were found probable cause under the category of sexual maltreatment. Among these children the most common age group was 10 - 14 years, followed by ages 5 - 9.

**Sexually Maltreated  
Children by Age, 1997**



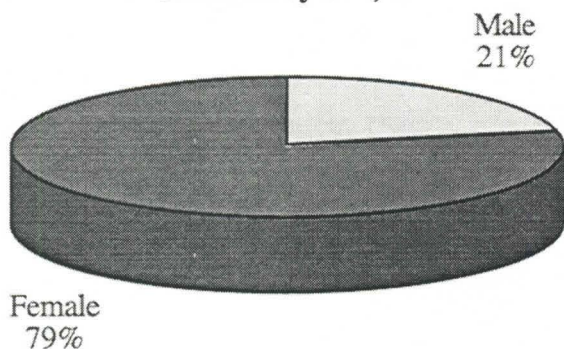
**Sexually Maltreated  
Children by Age, 1997**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	4	0.2%	10	151	5.8%
1	10	0.4%	11	190	7.4%
2	49	1.9%	12	204	7.9%
3	122	4.7%	13	226	8.8%
4	155	6.0%	14	234	9.1%
5	171	6.6%	15	180	7.0%
6	177	6.9%	16	148	5.7%
7	168	6.5%	17	57	2.2%
8	158	6.1%	Unknown	8	0.3%
9	170	6.6%		<u>2,582</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of children because a child may be found probable cause for sexual maltreatment more than one time during the year.

## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

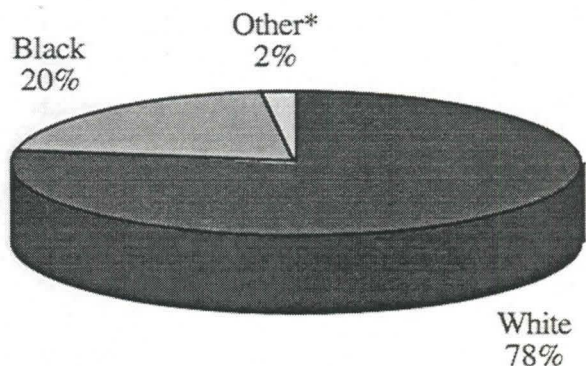
**Sexually Maltreated  
Children by Sex, 1997**



- Unlike neglected and physically abused children, where approximately half were male and half were female, the majority (79%) of sexually maltreated children were female.

- Seventy-eight percent (78%) of sexually maltreated children were white and twenty percent (20%) were black.

**Sexually Maltreated  
Children by Race, 1997**



**Sexually Maltreated  
Children by Race, 1997**

**Sex and Race of Sexually Maltreated Children, 1997**

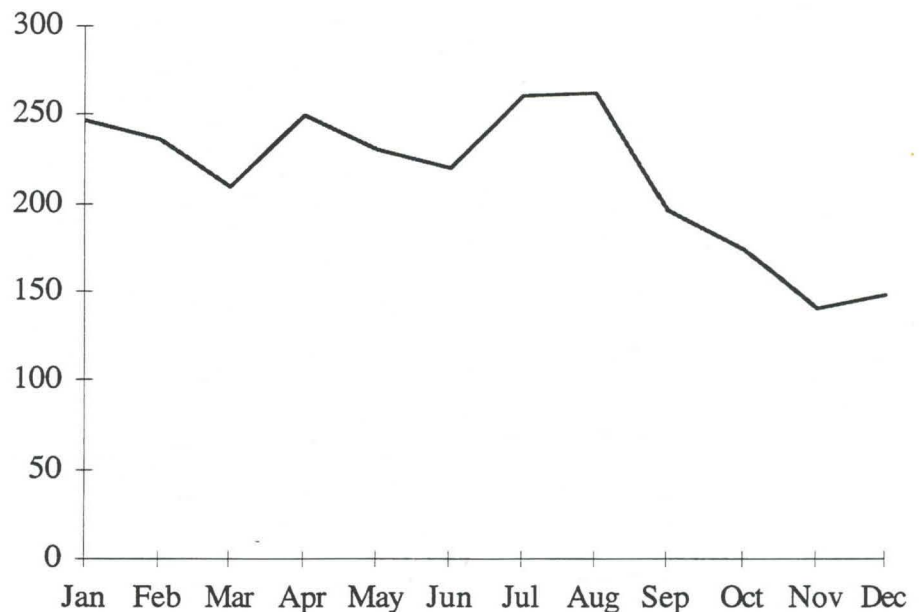
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	532	20.6%
Female	2,050	79.4%
	<u>2,582</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	2,017	78.1%
Black	521	20.2%
Hispanic	23	0.9%
Oriental	1	0.0%
American Indian	8	0.3%
Other	9	0.3%
Unknown	3	0.1%
	<u>2,582</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

### Sexually Maltreated Children by Month of Report, 1997

January	248
February	237
March	210
April	251
May	231
June	221
July	261
August	262
September	197
October	174
November	141
December	149
	<u>2,582</u>



- August had the highest incidence of sexually maltreated children with 262. The number of sexually maltreated children fluctuated throughout the year before falling to the low for the year in November with 141.

For sexually maltreated children, the most frequently reported worker finding was fondling or touching. As with the physically abused children, lack of supervision is also cited quite frequently. This suggests that neglect may also occur in some situations of sexual abuse. The ten most often reported worker findings for sexually maltreated children are listed below.

### Worker Findings for Sexually Maltreated Children, 1997

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Fondling/touching	1,710	66.2%
Other sexual abuse	730	28.3%
Oral sex, sodomy	627	24.3%
Intercourse	422	16.3%
Digital penetration	313	12.1%
Lack of supervision	282	10.9%
Inappropriately giving drugs	57	2.2%
Bruises, welts, red marks	55	2.1%
Pornography	52	2.0%
Other physical abuse or injury	44	1.7%

Percent is the percentage of all sexually maltreated children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to five specific findings for each child.



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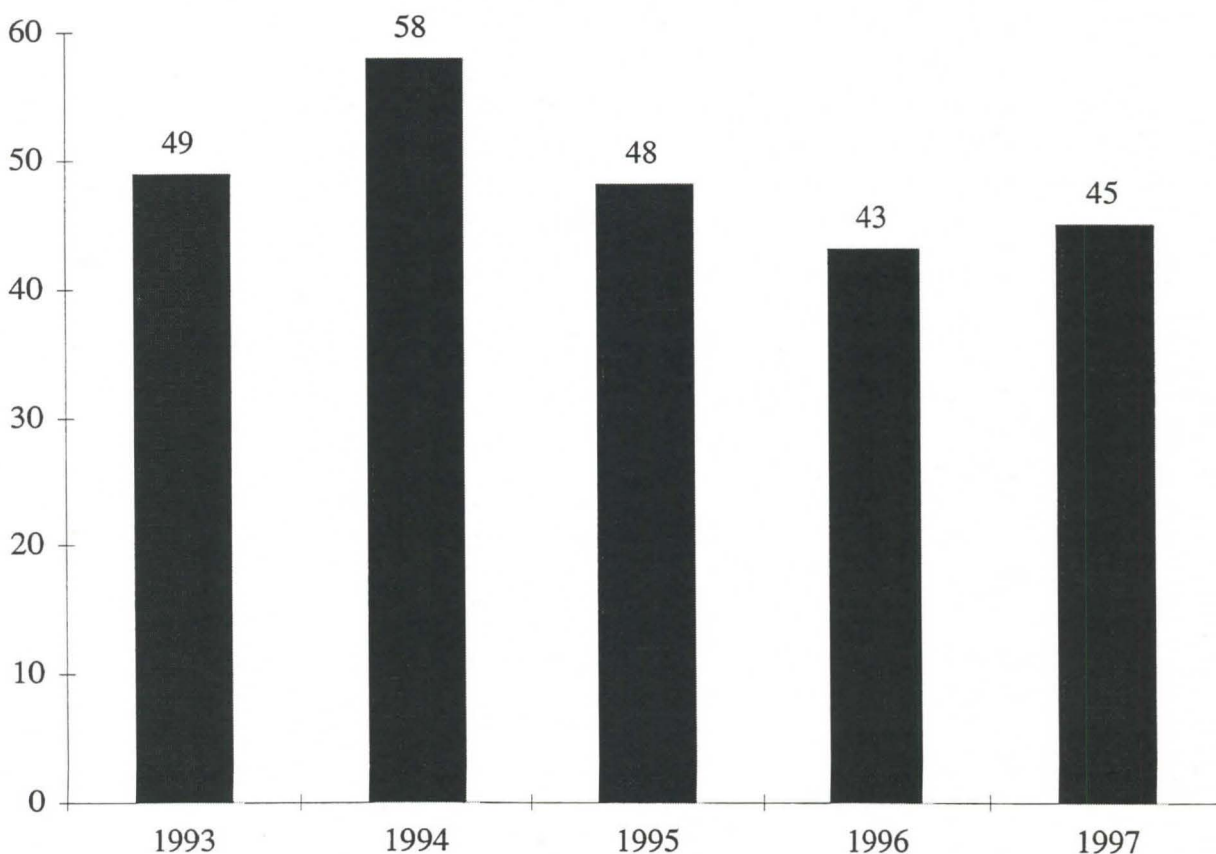
### **Child Abuse/Neglect Fatalities**

The number of probable cause fatalities in 1997 increased slightly from 1996. Forty-five (45) children died as a result of child abuse/neglect in 1997, compared to forty-three (43) in 1996.

These figures only represent children whose deaths are brought to the attention of DFS. Recent media attention, both on a state and national level, has focused on children whose deaths were never brought to the attention of the proper authorities despite the suspicious nature of their deaths. When fatal child abuse goes undetected, other children in the home and community remain at risk.

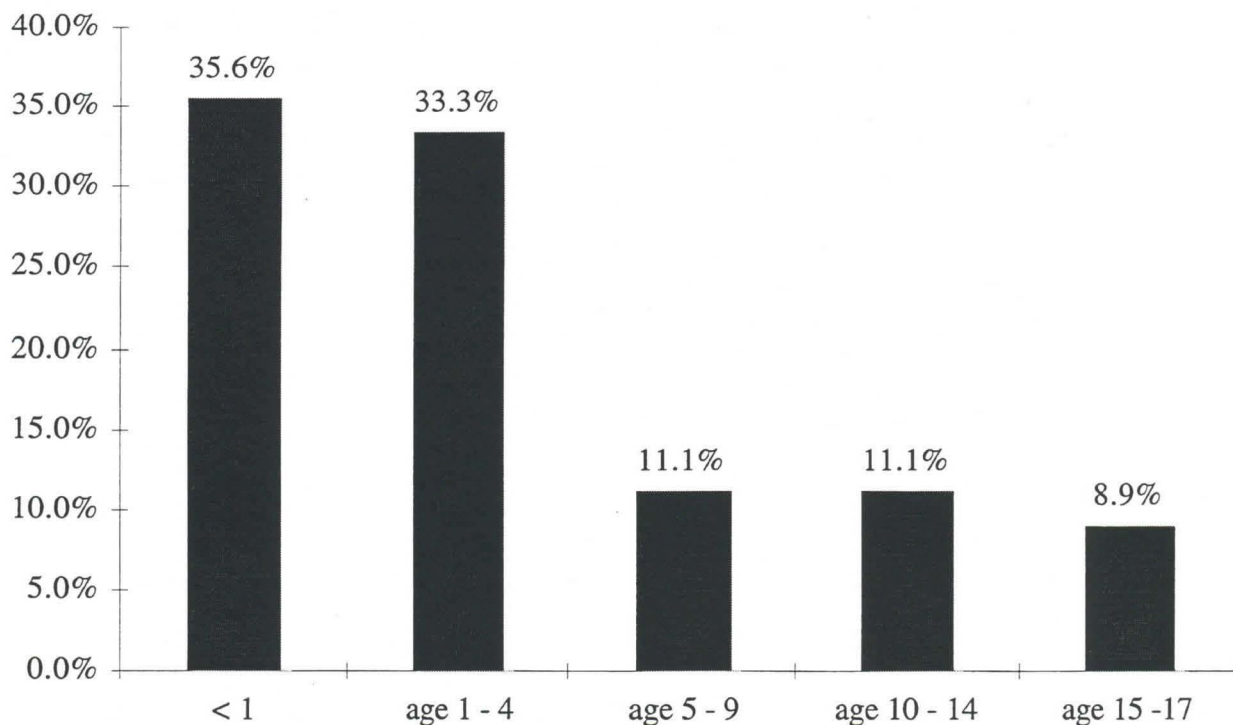
The number of fatalities reported during any given year may change as a result of pending investigations, changes in conclusions, and deaths not reported in a timely manner.

**Probable Cause Fatalities  
1993 - 1997**



## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Age of Child, 1997**



- Of the 45 children involved in probable cause fatalities during 1997, the majority were under 5 years of age.

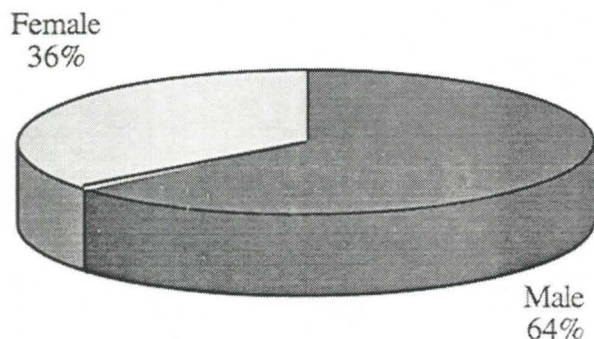
**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Age of Child, 1997**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 1	16	35.6%	10	1	2.2%
1	4	8.9%	11	0	0.0%
2	4	8.9%	12	3	6.7%
3	4	8.9%	13	1	2.2%
4	3	6.7%	14	0	0.0%
5	2	4.4%	15	2	4.4%
6	0	0.0%	16	1	2.2%
7	1	2.2%	17	1	2.2%
8	1	2.2%	Unknown	0	0.0%
9	1	2.2%		<u>45</u>	<u>100%</u>

Note: The number of probable cause fatalities represents an unduplicated count of children.

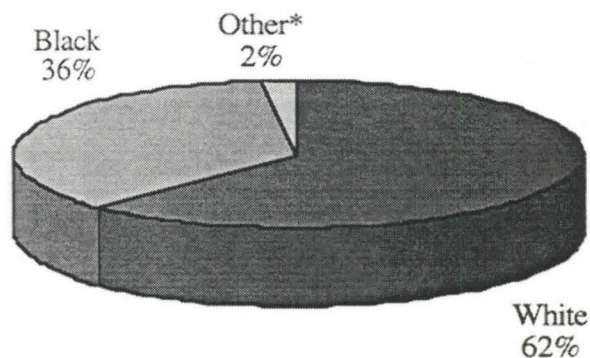
## Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect

**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Sex, 1997**



- Sixty-four percent (64%) of children involved in probable cause fatalities were male and thirty-six percent (36%) were female.

**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Race, 1997**



- Sixty-two percent (62%) of children involved in probable cause fatalities were white and thirty-six (36%) were black.

\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

**Sex and Race of Probable Cause Fatalities, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	29	64.4%	White	28	62.2%
Female	16	35.6%	Black	16	35.6%
	45	100.0%	Hispanic	1	2.2%
			Oriental	0	0.0%
			American Indian	0	0.0%
			Other	0	0.0%
				45	100.0%



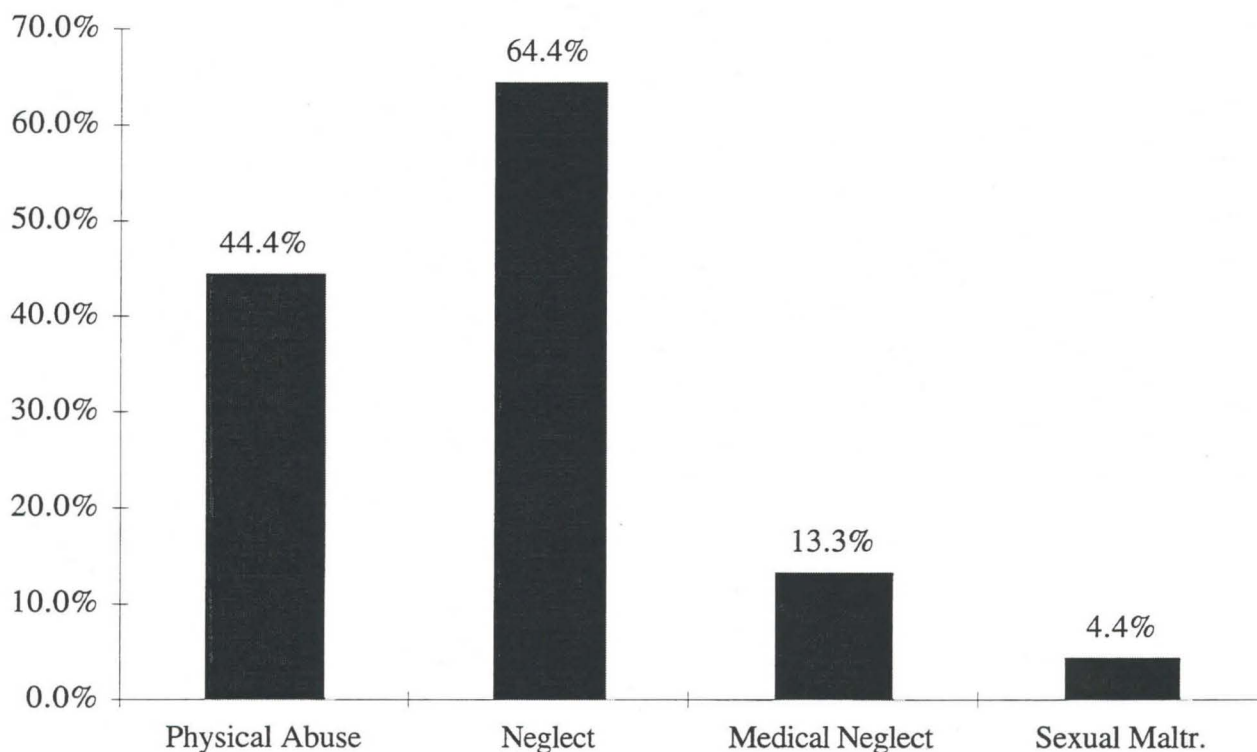
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## *Probable Cause Child Abuse/Neglect*

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**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1997**



- A majority, sixty-four percent (64%), of the CA/N fatalities were caused, at least in part, by neglect. Physical abuse was present in forty-four percent (44%) of the CA/N fatalities. Medical neglect and sexual maltreatment also contributed to some child fatalities.

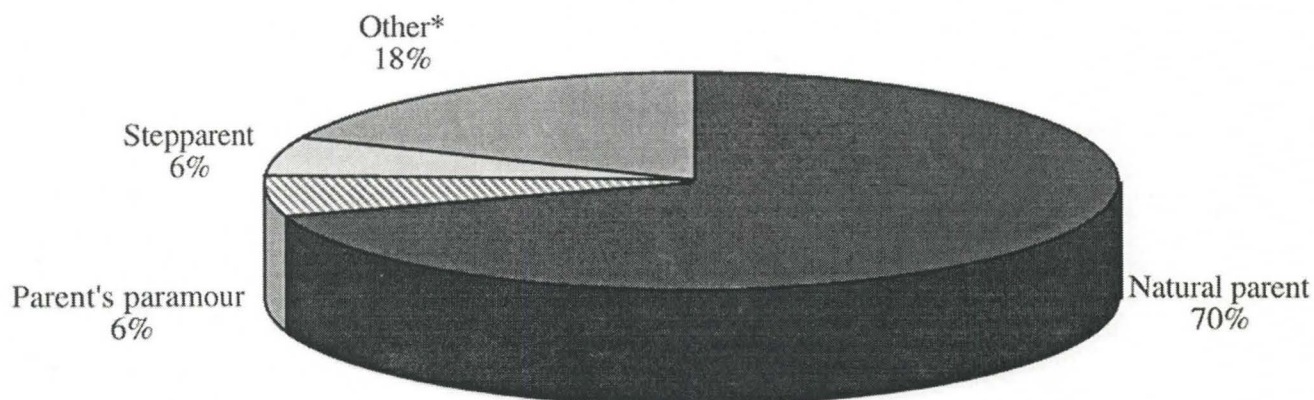
**Probable Cause Fatalities  
by Category of Abuse/Neglect, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Neglect	29	64.4%
Physical Abuse	20	44.4%
Medical Neglect	6	13.3%
Sexual Maltr.	2	4.4%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause fatalities. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.

## Perpetrator Demographics

Relationship of Probable Cause Perpetrator to Probable Cause Child, 1997



\* Other includes the following: Grandparent, Sibling, Institutional staff, Child care provider, Foster parent, Adoptive parent, School personnel, Spouse/paramour, Other relative and Unknown.

- The most common type of alleged perpetrator was the natural parent of the child.

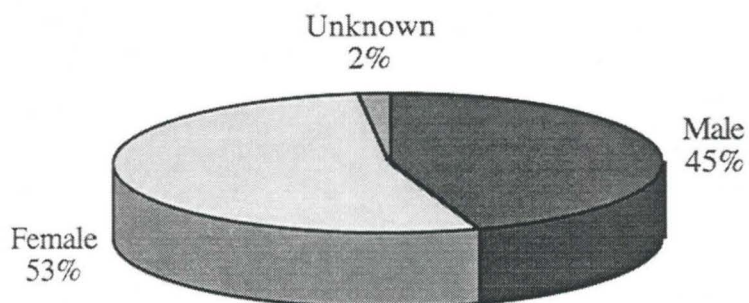
Alleged Perpetrators and Probable Cause Perpetrators  
by Relationship to Child, 1997

	<u>Alleged Perpetrators</u>	<u>Probable Cause Perpetrators</u>	<u>Percent Found Probable Cause</u>
Natural parent	70,188	13,157	18.7%
Parent's paramour	5,932	1,133	19.1%
Stepparent	5,109	1,010	19.8%
Unknown	3,731	713	19.1%
Other	3,122	1,133	36.3%
Grandparent	2,231	391	17.5%
Other relative	2,092	599	28.6%
Institutional staff	783	121	15.5%
Foster parent	719	110	15.3%
Sibling	684	127	18.6%
Child care provider	646	103	15.9%
School personnel	623	52	8.3%
Adoptive parent	366	54	14.8%
Spouse/paramour	40	15	37.5%
Self	24	7	29.2%

Note: Total counts of perpetrators exceed total counts of children because a child may have more than one perpetrator.

## Perpetrator Demographics

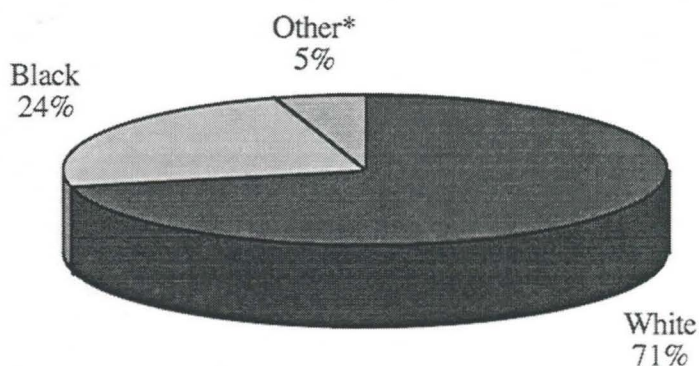
**Probable Cause Perpetrators  
by Sex, 1997**



- Fifty-three percent (53%) of all probable cause perpetrators were female. Forty-five percent (45%) were male.

**Probable Cause Perpetrators  
by Race, 1997**

- The race of probable cause perpetrators is similar to that of probable cause children. Seventy-one percent (71%) were white and twenty-four percent (24%) were black.



\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

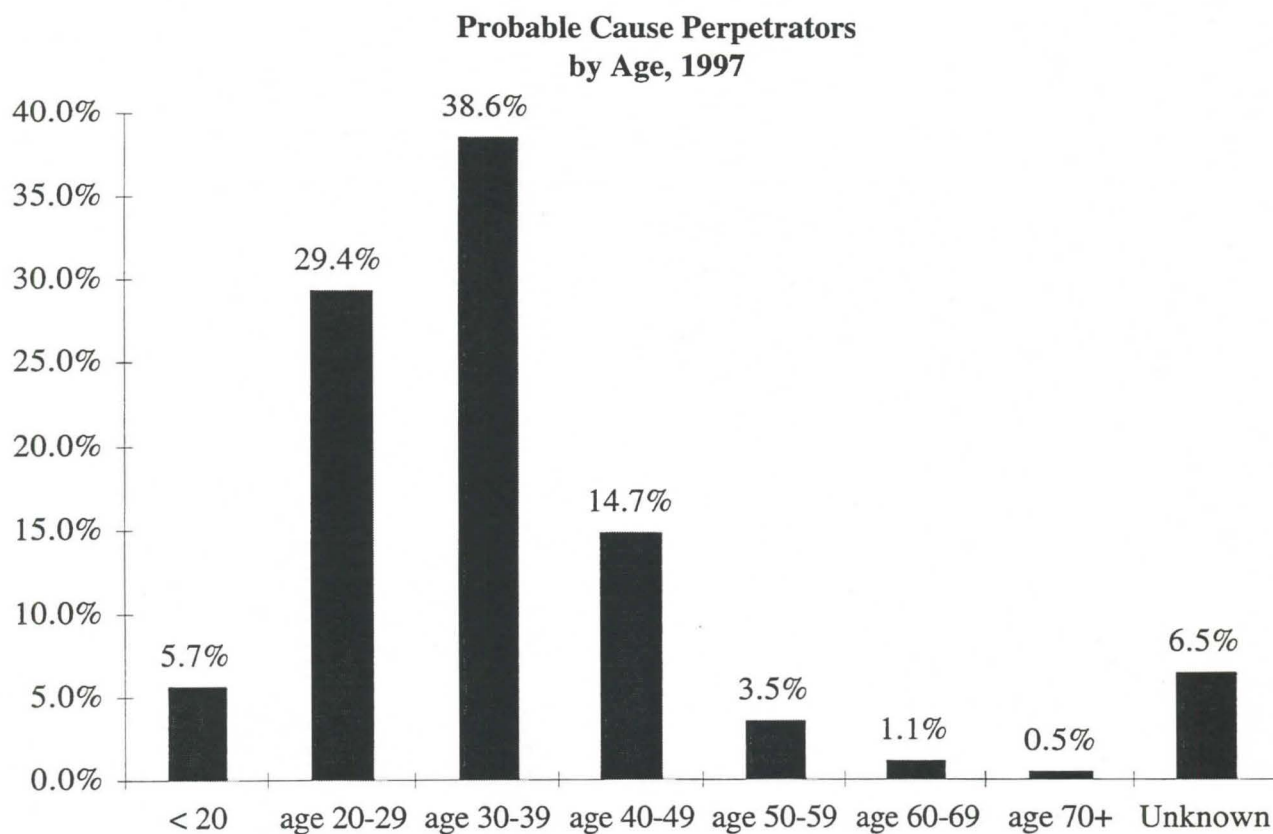
**Sex and Race of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	5,471	44.5%	White	8,750	71.1%
Female	6,510	52.9%	Black	2,906	23.6%
Unknown	326	2.6%	Hispanic	102	0.8%
	<u>12,307</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	Oriental	35	0.3%
			American Indian	28	0.2%
			Other	46	0.4%
			Unknown	440	3.6%
				<u>12,307</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.



## Perpetrator Demographics



- Sixty-eight percent (68%) of all perpetrators were between 20 and 39 years of age.

**Probable Cause Perpetrators  
by Age, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 20	706	5.7%
age 20-29	3,616	29.4%
age 30-39	4,757	38.7%
age 40-49	1,811	14.7%
age 50-59	426	3.5%
age 60-69	137	1.1%
age 70+	59	0.5%
Unknown	795	6.5%
	<u>12,307</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Note: This is a duplicated count of perpetrators. An alleged perpetrator may be found probable cause for more than one incident during the year.

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## ***Perpetrator Demographics***

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Children's Services Workers may indicate up to four **Observed Perpetrator Characteristics** for each probable cause perpetrator of child abuse/neglect. These characteristics are used to develop client profiles and help illustrate which services may be beneficial to a family. For instance, if perpetrators have unrealistic expectations of children, providing information on child development can help teach more appropriate disciplinary techniques.

- In 1997, the most prevalent perpetrator characteristic was having unrealistic expectations of a child, which was the case for approximately thirty-five percent (35%) of the probable cause perpetrators. Social workers described twenty-one percent (21%) of the perpetrators as having no apparent mental or emotional disturbance and eighteen percent (18%) as being unemployed.

### **Characteristics of Probable Cause Perpetrators, 1997**

	<b><u>Number</u></b>	<b><u>Percent</u></b>
Unrealistic expectations of child	4,313	35.0%
No apparent mental/emotional disturbance	2,520	20.5%
Unemployed	2,265	18.4%
Immaturity	2,036	16.5%
Loss of control during discipline	1,791	14.6%
Amenable to services	1,662	13.5%
Low self-esteem	1,499	12.2%
Alcohol-related problem(s)	1,301	10.6%
Other drug-related problem(s)	1,279	10.4%
Mental/emotional disturbance	904	7.3%
No one to call on in time of crisis	900	7.3%
Adequate support system	781	6.3%
History of criminal activity	633	5.1%
Pattern of violent behavior	565	4.6%
Parental history of abuse/neglect as a child	539	4.4%
Less than high school education	484	3.9%
Institutional report/unknown perpetrator	261	2.1%
High school education or higher	243	2.0%
Mental retardation	138	1.1%
Illness	90	0.7%
Incapacity due to physical handicap	83	0.7%
Other	42	0.3%

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause perpetrators. Percent total is greater than 100 because a worker may list up to four characteristics for each perpetrator.

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## *Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)*

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During the 1993-94 legislative session the General Assembly passed, and Governor Carnahan signed into law, Senate Bill 595. The legislation became law on August 28, 1994. The underlying principle of the Child Protection System (CPS), as embodied in Senate Bill 595, is that children and their families coming to the attention of the Division of Family Services have different intervention needs and require flexible responses from DFS and the community in order to protect children and meet the needs of the family.

This legislation established five demonstration areas to assess the impact of utilizing a multiple response when there is a report of child abuse/neglect. Senate Bill 595 required DFS to investigate some reports of abuse/neglect, but allowed for a Family Assessment in reports that would not be considered, if true, a criminal violation.

The sponsors and supporters of Senate Bill 595 identified and focused on two primary goals of the CPS system. Those goals are to: (1) Ensure the protection of children from abuse or neglect; and (2) Provide this protection to the child and family in the most efficient and effective manner possible within the framework of state, community and family resources.

Findings from the independent evaluation of the demonstration have been published. The results of the evaluation were used to assess the success of the demonstration as well as to identify any needed changes in procedure. In January 1998 DFS presented a recommendation to the Missouri Legislature for expansion of this approach statewide. In May 1997, legislative approval was granted for expansion of Senate Bill 595 to three additional areas of the state. Legislative approval for statewide expansion was granted in May 1998. Research findings of the demonstration reflect that the identified goals of the CPS were supported by the new approach. Pilot sites experienced increased cooperation and satisfaction with DFS by families, increased children's safety in a more timely manner, and there was a greater utilization of community resources.

The five demonstration areas are:

### St. Louis Metropolitan Demonstration Area:

- Identified communities within St. Louis County - University City, Maplewood and the 63132 zip code.
- Identified communities within St. Louis City - The neighborhood surrounding Sigel Community Center, including zip codes 63104 and 63118.
- St. Charles County (11th Judicial Circuit)
- Jefferson County (23rd Judicial Circuit)

### Washington County Demonstration Area (Part of the 24th Judicial Circuit)

### South Central Demonstration Area:

- Phelps, Pulaski, Texas and Maries Counties (25th Judicial Circuit)

### Central Demonstration Area:

- Boone and Callaway Counties (13th Judicial Circuit)



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## ***Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)***

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### **Southwest Demonstration Area:**

Barton, Cedar and Dade Counties (Part of the 28th Judicial Circuit)

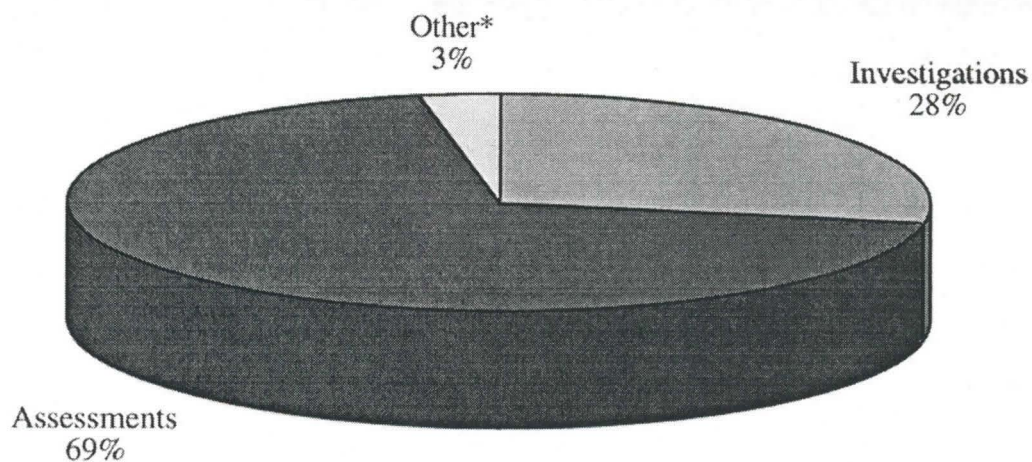
Jasper County (29th Judicial Circuit)

Newton County (Part of the 40th Judicial Circuit)

In summary, this delivery approach is designed to focus the investigation efforts of DFS and law enforcement on reports that indicate a crime had been committed. The remaining families are served through Family Assessments in order to address any service needs. Families who are investigated and those who receive the Family Assessment response both receive prompt and effective delivery of services in order to address their needs.

Track assignments determine which investigative mode, assessment or investigation, the hotline call will take. Reports that initially receive a track assignment of assessment may not, however, be concluded assessment (i.e., services needed, services not needed, or non-cooperative/child safe). Assessment tracks not concluded as such may have conclusions of unable to locate, located out of state, or home schooling. Therefore, the statistics on pages 33, 34, and 38 are not based on 6,082, the number of reports concluded assessment, but on the number of reports assigned a track of assessment. The number of reports during 1997 assigned a track of assessment equaled 6,541.

**Reports Made in Demonstration Areas by Type of Response  
During 1997**



\* Includes incidents with the conclusion of Inappropriate Report and incidents in which the conclusions are pending and the final response assignment could not be determined.

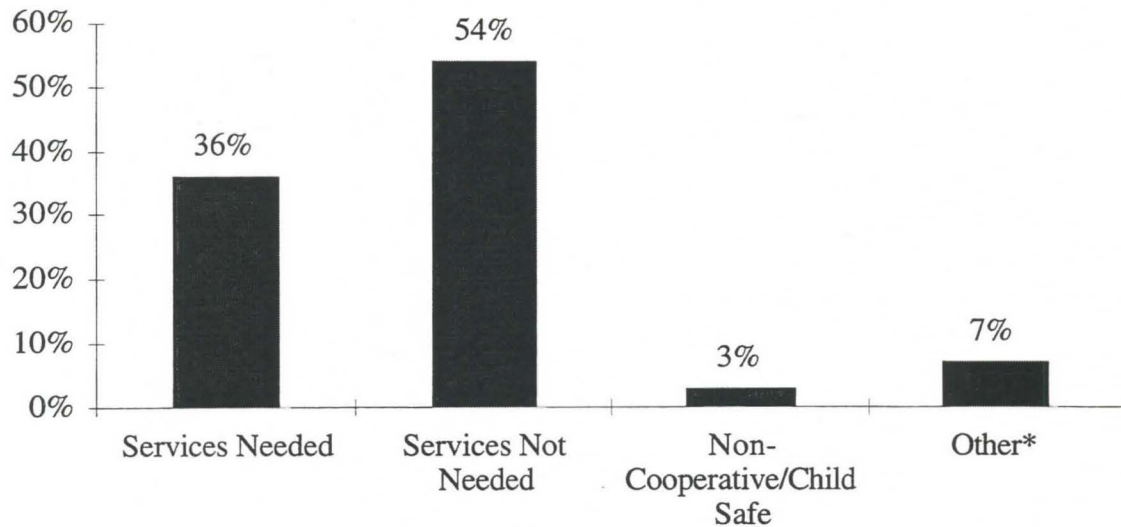
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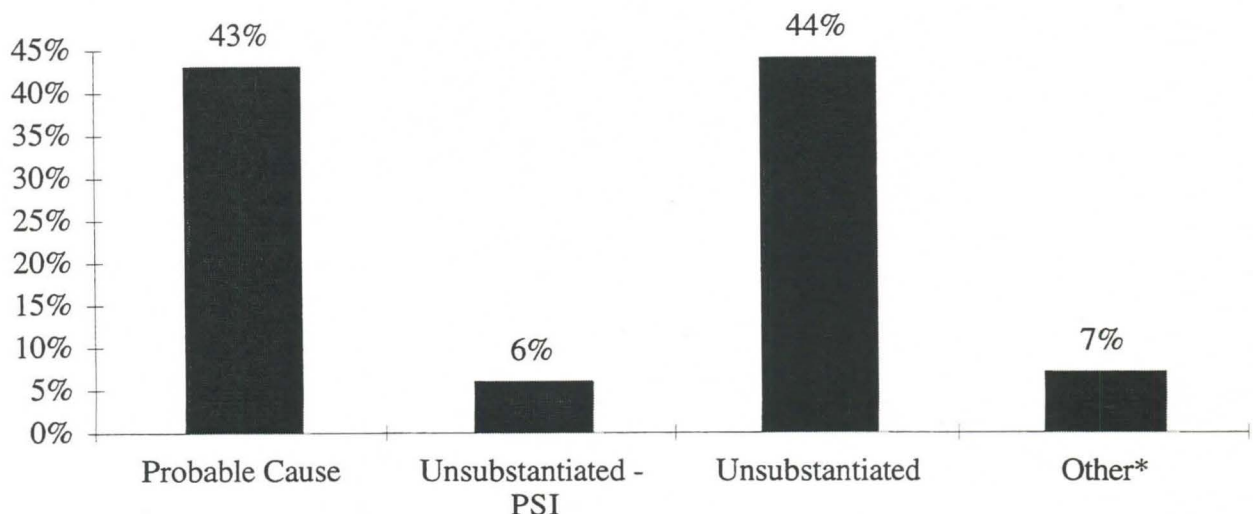
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### **Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595) Family Assessments by Conclusion During 1997**



- Of the 6,541 reports assigned to the family assessment track, thirty-six percent (36%) of the families were in need of services, fifty-four percent (54%) did not need services, and only three percent (3%) were non-cooperative.
- Of the 2,680 reports assigned to the investigative track in the demonstration area, forty-three percent (43%) were found probable cause. The statewide substantiation rate was twenty percent (20%).

### **Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595) Investigations by Conclusion During 1997**



\* Other includes Unable to Locate, Inappropriate Report, Located Out of State and Home Schooling (based on response assignment)

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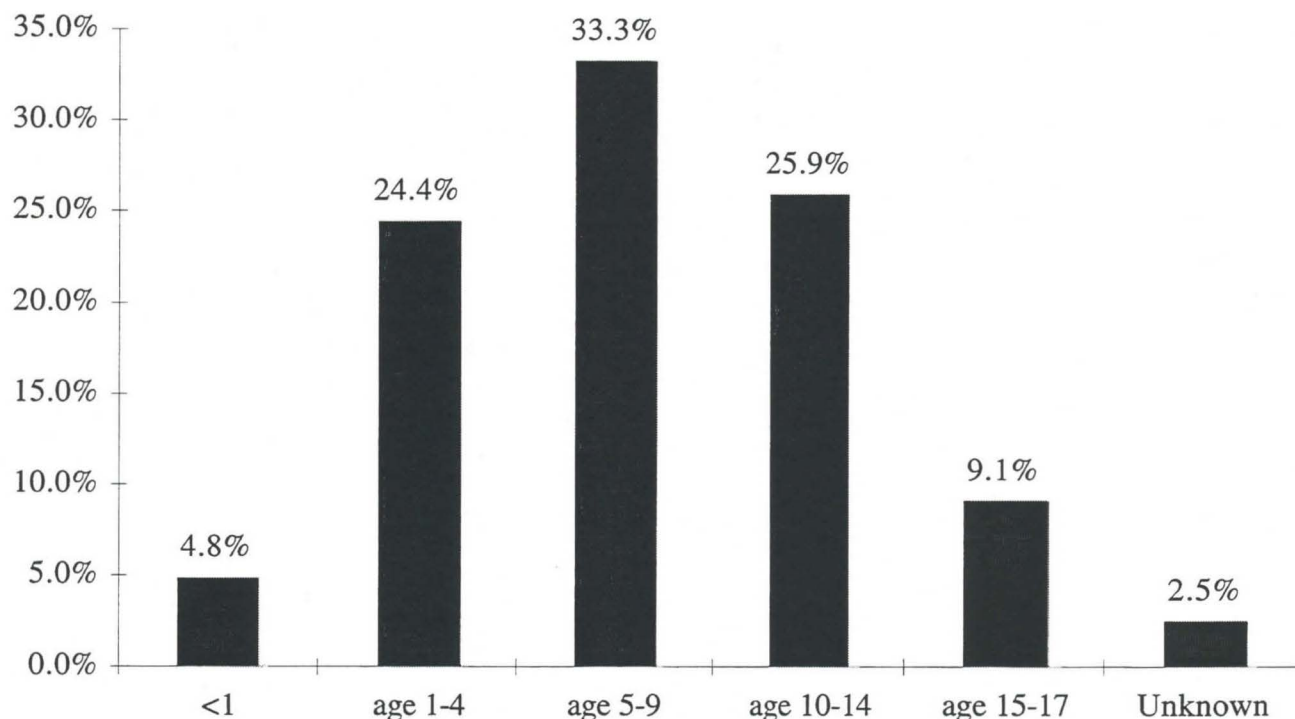
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## *Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)*

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### **Child Demographics**

**Family Assessment  
Children by Age, 1997**



- During the year 9,613 children were involved in reports screened family assessment. The most common age group for these children was 5 - 9 years, followed by ages 10 - 14. Relatively few (4.8%) children on family assessment reports were less than one year old.

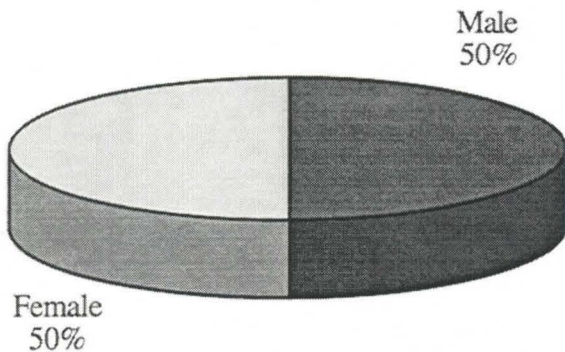
**Family Assessment  
Children by Age, 1997**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<1	464	4.8%	10	469	4.9%
1	563	5.9%	11	504	5.2%
2	574	6.0%	12	516	5.4%
3	596	6.2%	13	486	5.1%
4	609	6.3%	14	512	5.3%
5	671	7.0%	15	464	4.8%
6	708	7.4%	16	293	3.0%
7	686	7.1%	17	121	1.3%
8	596	6.2%	Unknown	240	2.5%
9	541	5.6%		9,613	100%



## Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)

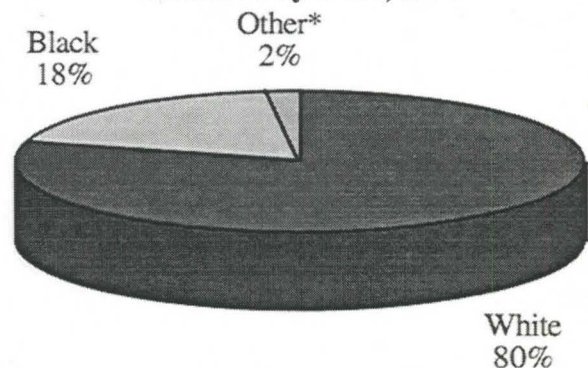
**Family Assessment  
Children by Sex, 1997**



- In 1997, there was approximately an even fifty percent (50%) split of male and female family assessment children.

- Eighty percent (80%) of family assessment children were white and eighteen percent (18%) were black.

**Family Assessment  
Children by Race, 1997**



\* Other includes Hispanic, Oriental, American Indian, Other and Unknown.

**Sex and Race of Family Assessment Children, 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	4749	50.4%	White	7,739	80.5%
Female	4845	49.4%	Black	1,699	17.7%
Unknown	19	0.2%	Hispanic	61	0.6%
	<u>9613</u>	<u>100%</u>	Oriental	19	0.2%
			American Indian	21	0.2%
			Other	45	0.5%
			Unknown	29	0.3%
				<u>9,613</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

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## ***Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)***

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- For the Family Assessments where the worker concluded that services were required, a total of 5,298 service needs were identified, the most frequent of which was mental health services. Mental health services were accessed in approximately thirty-seven percent (37%) of the cases. This was followed by parenting classes, which were utilized by twenty-seven percent (27%) of the cases. The fifteen most frequently used services are listed below.

### **Service Needs for Interventions Concluded as Needing Services During 1997**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Mental health services	866	36.6%
Parenting classes/education/household management	645	27.2%
Child care	441	18.6%
Health services	390	16.5%
Juvenile/family court services	272	11.5%
Shelter	263	11.1%
Employment services	257	10.9%
Educational services	245	10.4%
Substance abuse treatment	193	8.2%
Financial assistance	183	7.7%
Domestic violence services	164	6.9%
Assistance with utilities	158	6.7%
Adequate food	151	6.4%
Transportation	137	5.8%
Other	132	5.6%

Percent is the percentage of all interventions where services were needed. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to 20 service needs may be reported for each intervention.

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## ***Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)***

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The goals of the family assessment approach are to assure child safety, address the strengths of the family and to identify and treat the family's needs. Services and supports for families are designed to build on the strengths and resources of families and communities. In keeping with this philosophy, the list of **Observed Family Characteristics** was expanded to include more strength-based characteristics. Some of the new characteristics are extended family support systems, problem-solving skills and good physical/mental health.

- In fifty-six percent (56%) of the assessments, the families had adequate living conditions. Forty-two percent (42%) of the assessments involved single parent households. Other frequently cited characteristics include amenable to services, appropriate parenting skills, extended family support system, and stable family relationships. The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

**Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)  
Characteristics of Families Involved in Family Assessments  
During 1997**

	<u><b>Number</b></u>	<u><b>Percent</b></u>
Adequate living conditions	3,695	56.5%
Single parent household	2,778	42.5%
Amenable to services	2,135	32.6%
Appropriate parenting skills	1,761	26.9%
Extended family support system	1,650	25.2%
Stable family relationship/household	1,624	24.8%
Problem-solving skills	981	15.0%
Lack of parenting skills	846	12.9%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	814	12.4%
Insufficient/misuse of income	622	9.5%
Community/cultural support	617	9.4%
Marital problems	590	9.0%
Recent/frequent relocation	579	8.9%
Recent loss/addition to household members	555	8.5%
Appropriate child development knowledge	538	8.2%
No history of violence	505	7.7%
Good physical/mental health	488	7.5%
New baby in home/pregnancy	412	6.3%
Domestic violence	398	6.1%
Crowded living conditions	382	5.8%
Manages finances well	372	5.7%
Stable marriage	345	5.3%
Loss of employment	331	5.1%
Alcohol related problem(s)	316	4.8%
Other drug related problem(s)	246	3.8%

Percent is the percentage of total interventions. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to 15 family characteristics may be reported for each intervention.



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## ***Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)***

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- The characteristics for families involved in investigations in the multiple response demonstration areas are similar in rank to those of families in the assessment response. In forty-three percent (43%) of the investigations, the families had adequate living conditions. Amenable to services, single parent household, appropriate parenting skills, and stable family relationships were also cited frequently.
- Investigations had a higher percentage (20%) of families with a lack of parenting skills, than did intervention families (13%). Investigated families had a lower percentage (13%) of families with extended support systems than did assessment families (25%). The top 25 characteristics are listed below.

**Child Protection System Demonstration (SB 595)  
Characteristics of Families Involved in Investigations  
During 1997**

	<u><b>Number</b></u>	<u><b>Percent</b></u>
Adequate living conditions	1,160	43.3%
Amenable to services	1,078	40.2%
Single parent household	1,025	38.2%
Appropriate parenting skills	702	26.2%
Stable family relationship/household	627	23.4%
Lack of parenting skills	539	20.1%
Extended family support system	342	12.8%
Heavy continuous child care responsibility	221	8.2%
Domestic violence	204	7.6%
Marital problems	197	7.4%
Insufficient/misuse of income	191	7.1%
Recent/frequent relocation	180	6.7%
Problem-solving skills	176	6.6%
Recent loss/addition to household members	174	6.5%
Alcohol related problem(s)	162	6.0%
Other drug related problem(s)	148	5.5%
New baby in home/pregnancy	138	5.1%
Good physical/mental health	130	4.9%
Community/cultural support	116	4.3%
Loss of employment	98	3.7%
Crowded living conditions	96	3.6%
No history of violence	89	3.3%
Social isolation	88	3.3%
Appropriate child development knowledge	87	3.2%
Stable marriage	80	3.0%

Percent is the percentage of total investigations. Percent total is greater than 100 because up to 15 family characteristics may be reported for each investigation.

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## ***Prevention/Treatment Services***

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DFS has several programs designed to provide treatment and to help prevent future occurrence of child abuse and neglect.

**Parental Stress Helpline:** A DFS Parental Stress Helpline is available for parents who feel overwhelmed with parental pressures and responsibilities. The Helpline offers on-line crisis counseling to parents and provides referral information about local agencies which offer additional or more intensive services. The Helpline operates seven days a week, 24 hours a day. The toll-free telephone number of this emergency service is **1-800-367-2543**. Calls to the Parental Stress Helpline may be anonymous. However, if information is given that indicates child abuse/neglect has taken place, and identifying information is provided, the information must be forwarded to the DFS county office for investigation.

**Family-centered Services (FCS):** FCS are provided to families and children in their own homes when a child abuse/neglect investigation has been concluded Probable Cause, Unsubstantiated-Preventive Services Indicated or Family Assessment-Services Needed. These services are also provided to families who voluntarily seek help and to families whose children are placed out of the home. Services are provided following a family-centered assessment to identify risk issues, family strengths and service needs. A family treatment plan is developed with the family to help them change the conditions which brought them to the attention of DFS. Services are designed to help the family direct their own affairs and provide suitable care for the children. The primary purpose of FCS is to improve and maintain the family unit or to reunify the family when alternative care services are provided. Services include a range of treatment and support services. The family treatment plan determines whether services are provided by DFS staff and/or purchased or provided by community agencies. Purchased services include day care, family and/or individual counseling, home-based, family-centered services, evaluation and diagnosis, homemaker services and respite care, among others.

- During 1997 there were 13,182 FCS cases opened in Missouri.
- From 1993 through 1997, forty-five percent (45%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a probable cause investigative conclusion.
- In 1997, three percent (3%) of all FCS case openings were the result of a Family Assessment.

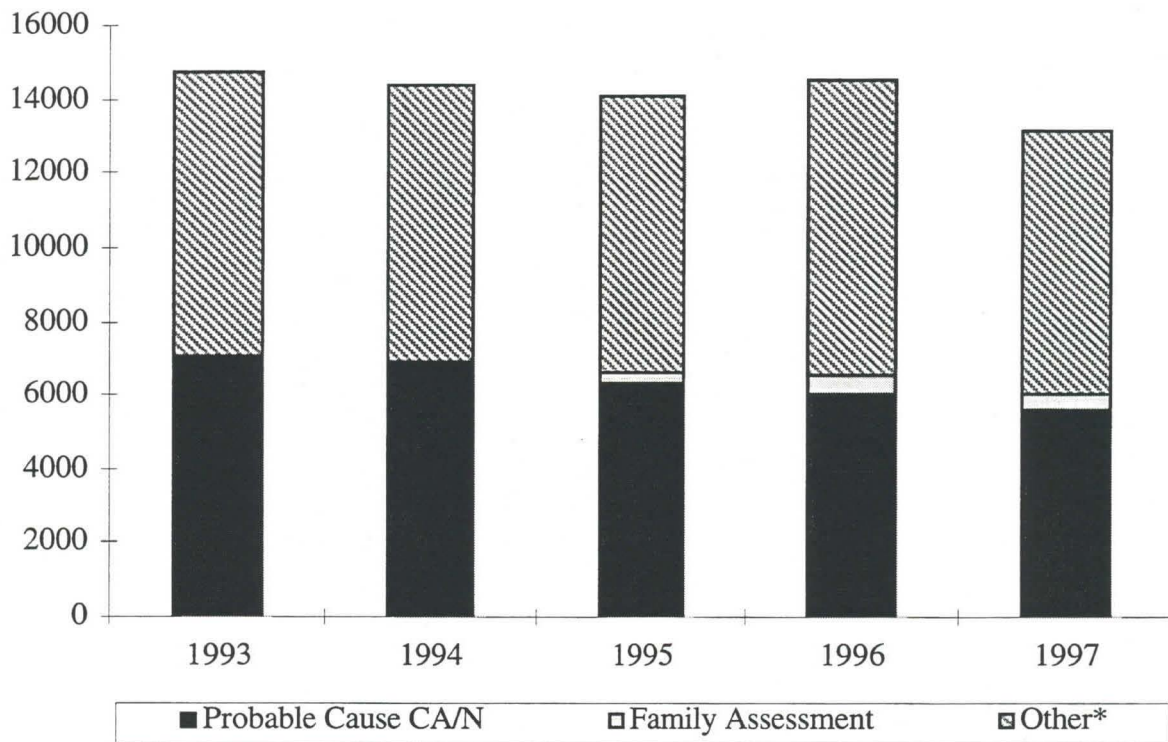


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## *Prevention/Treatment Services*

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**Family-centered Services Case Openings by Reason for Opening  
1993 - 1997**



\* Other includes Family Requests Preventive Services, Court Order and Newborn Crisis Assessment.

**Family Preservation Services (FPS):** FPS are intensive in-home services designed to prevent unnecessary out-of-home placement of children. An in-home specialist provides a variety of services to the entire family to address the crisis that would normally necessitate out-of-home care for a child. Services are delivered immediately at the time of crisis and are time-limited, usually four to six weeks. In-home specialists carry small caseloads of two to three families. This enables them to spend as much time with the family as needed. The emphasis of FPS is on strengthening the entire family by improving its problem-solving capabilities and teaching them necessary life skills. Among other services, families may receive family therapy, individual and marital counseling, parenting education, child development training, household maintenance and nutritional training, job readiness training and referrals to other community resources. Families authorized for FPS may have children who have been abused or neglected, have committed a status offense, have displayed delinquent behavior, or who are seriously emotionally disturbed and are at imminent risk of being removed from the home. This service is voluntary and at least one caretaker must be willing to participate.



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## ***Prevention/Treatment Services***

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**Out-of-Home Placement:** Out-of-home care is provided in situations where a parent or parents are incapable of providing a child or children with adequate social, emotional and physical care. Out-of-home is defined as care provided in licensed foster or approved relative family homes, in licensed residential facilities, or in licensed foster group homes. The service provides substitute settings for children. Children are placed only after it is determined that they cannot remain at home.

**Prevention of Abuse and Neglect through Dental Awareness (P.A.N.D.A.):** The P.A.N.D.A. Coalition is a statewide private/public partnership formed in April 1992 in response to the need to involve the dental community in the reporting and prevention of child abuse/neglect. The objective of the coalition is to educate dental professionals on the ease and importance of identifying and reporting child abuse/neglect. Members of the coalition include Delta Dental of Missouri (a dental insurance company), Missouri Dental Association, Missouri Dental Hygienists' Association, Missouri Department of Health/Bureau of Dental Health, Missouri Department of Social Services/DFS and University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry.

**Crisis Nurseries:** The first state-funded crisis nurseries began providing services to children and their families in May 1993. There are nine of these facilities. Crisis nurseries are child care facilities which protect children by providing a safe environment at a time when the chances of abuse/neglect in the home are increased. Parents voluntarily request and arrange this service directly with the crisis nursery.

**Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board:** Division of Family Services' social workers reach a conclusion on each child abuse/neglect investigation and notify the parents and alleged perpetrator (if different than the parents) by letter of the conclusion. In some investigations where the conclusion is probable cause, the alleged perpetrator may disagree with the finding. The alleged perpetrator may appeal to the Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board for review of the investigation by contacting the local DFS office within 60 days of the notification of the finding. If there are pending criminal charges, the request may be made 60 days from the court's final disposition or dismissal of charges. If convicted, there is no appeal.

The Child Abuse/Neglect Review Board consists of two boards of nine private citizens appointed by the Governor. These boards each meet twice per month to review child abuse/neglect appeals. They listen to testimony from DFS staff, the alleged perpetrator, and representatives of the child and then make a decision to uphold or reverse the original DFS decision. During 1997, the review board heard 259 cases. The percentage of cases upheld by the Board was 70%.

Following the Child Abuse and Neglect Review Board's disposition, the alleged perpetrator will have 30 days to request a judicial review.

**Background Screening and Investigation Unit:** The Background Screening and Investigation Unit conducts background checks through the child abuse/neglect systems in DFS. These checks are run on prospective foster and adoptive parents for DFS and for current or prospective employees in the child care industry (day care, residential care providers, schools, etc.). The purpose of the unit is to provide information on potential employees so that a prospective employer can assess if the person is appropriate to care for children. During 1997, the unit processed 108,074 background checks.

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**Mandated Reporter Referrals:** The state child abuse/neglect law mandates certain professions (mandated reporters), to make a report to the Missouri Division of Family Services when they have reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect. However, many times the mandated reporter may not suspect abuse or neglect but has some other concern about a family.

Effective July 1996 the division implemented a policy to accept referrals of concern from a mandated reporter which does not rise to the level of a CA/N report. The division refers to these calls as Mandated Reporter Referrals. This service is being provided because division staff are often aware of community resources available to families and to continue the positive communication between DFS staff and mandated reporters. The reporter will be told by the hotline social worker whether their call is being accepted as a hotline report or as a Mandated Reporter Referral. Mandated Reporter Referrals will be reported immediately to the appropriate county DFS Office.

Local DFS staff will contact the reporter within three working days of the report, or the next working day if the report is received on a Friday, to discuss the situation with the mandated reporter and mutually determine the most appropriate action to be taken. The exception is if the report indicates an emergency situation the reporter will be contacted as soon as possible. While the division in a few situations may offer services to families, the primary purpose is to help the mandated reporter make community support connections for the family. The following are possible responses to the referrals:

- The mandated reporter is made aware of appropriate community resources and provides referrals for the family.
- The reporter or DFS staff contact the family by telephone to assist the family in arranging appropriate referrals.
- DFS staff visit the family to obtain additional information and assess the needs of the family.
- DFS staff determine that, based upon additional information, a child abuse/neglect report is necessary.
- During 1997 there were 10,618 Mandated Reporter Referrals.



**Appendix A.**  
**1997 Reported Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion**

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FA		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	7	7.1	10	10.1	81	81.8	0	0.0	1	1.0	99
	ATCHISON	10	20.8	5	10.4	33	68.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	48
	BUCHANAN	227	22.0	44	4.3	694	67.3	0	0.0	66	6.4	1,031
	CALDWELL	24	23.8	3	3.0	69	68.3	0	0.0	5	5.0	101
	CARROLL	36	27.3	21	15.9	72	54.5	0	0.0	3	2.3	132
	CASS	124	19.9	99	15.9	362	58.2	0	0.0	37	5.9	622
	CHARITON	7	13.5	4	7.7	36	69.2	0	0.0	5	9.6	52
	CLAY	290	23.0	84	6.7	812	64.4	0	0.0	74	5.9	1,260
	CLINTON	34	23.1	14	9.5	93	63.3	0	0.0	6	4.1	147
	COOPER	29	23.4	11	8.9	78	62.9	0	0.0	6	4.8	124
	DAVIESS	7	9.2	8	10.5	59	77.6	0	0.0	2	2.6	76
	DE KALB	7	13.0	7	13.0	39	72.2	0	0.0	1	1.9	54
	GENTRY	17	37.8	5	11.1	23	51.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	45
	GRUNDY	13	14.1	8	8.7	64	69.6	0	0.0	7	7.6	92
	HARRISON	6	9.1	5	7.6	52	78.8	0	0.0	3	4.5	66
	HOLT	11	19.0	5	8.6	42	72.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	58
	HOWARD	10	14.9	5	7.5	52	77.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	67
	JOHNSON	52	13.6	72	18.8	246	64.4	0	0.0	12	3.1	382
	LAFAYETTE	55	18.5	61	20.5	165	55.4	0	0.0	17	5.7	298
	LINN	22	20.8	14	13.2	66	62.3	0	0.0	4	3.8	106
	LIVINGSTON	53	38.1	16	11.5	69	49.6	0	0.0	1	0.7	139
	MERCER	8	29.6	2	7.4	15	55.6	0	0.0	2	7.4	27
	NODAWAY	16	12.6	35	27.6	74	58.3	0	0.0	2	1.6	127
	PETTIS	143	29.9	55	11.5	255	53.3	0	0.0	25	5.2	478
	PLATTE	143	31.9	30	6.7	264	58.9	0	0.0	11	2.5	448
	PUTNAM	7	20.0	2	5.7	24	68.6	0	0.0	2	5.7	35
	RANDOLPH	56	20.4	17	6.2	184	66.9	0	0.0	18	6.5	275
	RAY	70	30.3	20	8.7	133	57.6	0	0.0	8	3.5	231
	SALINE	67	22.2	37	12.3	163	54.0	0	0.0	35	11.6	302
	SULLIVAN	10	22.7	0	0.0	30	68.2	0	0.0	4	9.1	44
	WORTH	6	31.6	9	47.4	4	21.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	19
	AREA OFFICE	5	45.5	2	18.2	3	27.3	0	0.0	1	9.1	11
	*AREA TOTAL*	1,572	22.5	710	10.1	4,356	62.3	0	0.0	358	5.1	6,996
AREA 2	ADAIR	56	37.1	46	30.5	37	24.5	0	0.0	12	7.9	151
	AUDRAIN	48	22.4	41	19.2	118	55.1	0	0.0	7	3.3	214
	BOONE	175	16.5	25	2.4	249	23.4	515	48.5	98	9.2	1,062
	CALLAWAY	37	10.3	9	2.5	79	22.1	202	56.4	31	8.7	358
	CLARK	15	23.1	10	15.4	38	58.5	0	0.0	2	3.1	65
	COLE	139	25.6	48	8.8	338	62.2	0	0.0	18	3.3	543
	FRANKLIN	112	13.6	158	19.2	498	60.5	0	0.0	55	6.7	823
	GASCONADE	26	19.7	11	8.3	89	67.4	0	0.0	6	4.5	132
	JEFFERSON	131	7.7	28	1.6	122	7.1	1,305	76.4	123	7.2	1,709
	KNOX	26	65.0	7	17.5	6	15.0	0	0.0	1	2.5	40
	LEWIS	30	31.6	21	22.1	41	43.2	0	0.0	3	3.2	95
	LINCOLN	100	25.3	38	9.6	248	62.8	0	0.0	9	2.3	395
	MACON	32	22.7	28	19.9	73	51.8	0	0.0	8	5.7	141
	MARION	76	24.8	51	16.6	177	57.7	0	0.0	3	1.0	307
	MONROE	16	32.0	14	28.0	18	36.0	0	0.0	2	4.0	50
	MONTGOMERY	42	26.4	36	22.6	62	39.0	0	0.0	19	11.9	159
	OSAGE	15	25.9	4	6.9	38	65.5	0	0.0	1	1.7	58
	PIKE	44	25.4	26	15.0	90	52.0	0	0.0	13	7.5	173
	RALLS	21	36.8	7	12.3	28	49.1	0	0.0	1	1.8	57
	ST CHARLES	145	9.0	14	0.9	169	10.5	1,211	75.5	65	4.1	1,604
	SCHUYLER	10	26.3	7	18.4	21	55.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	38
	SCOTLAND	15	31.9	14	29.8	18	38.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	47
	SHELBY	20	30.3	16	24.2	28	42.4	0	0.0	2	3.0	66
	WARREN	35	19.7	18	10.1	95	53.4	0	0.0	30	16.9	178
	AREA OFFICE	1	11.1	2	22.2	5	55.6	0	0.0	1	11.1	9
	*AREA TOTAL*	1,367	16.1	679	8.0	2,685	31.7	3,233	38.2	510	6.0	8,474
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	10	15.6	16	25.0	37	57.8	0	0.0	1	1.6	64
	BUTLER	82	17.2	53	11.1	333	69.8	0	0.0	9	1.9	477
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	88	20.5	32	7.4	277	64.4	0	0.0	33	7.7	430
	CARTER	11	16.4	6	9.0	50	74.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	67
	CRAWFORD	81	28.5	61	21.5	132	46.5	0	0.0	10	3.5	284
	DENT	34	17.9	23	12.1	124	65.3	0	0.0	9	4.7	190
	DUNKLIN	112	25.7	30	6.9	278	63.9	0	0.0	15	3.4	435
	HOWELL	62	15.0	24	5.8	310	75.2	0	0.0	16	3.9	412
	IRON	12	9.8	36	29.5	70	57.4	0	0.0	4	3.3	122
	MADISON	19	17.3	27	24.5	59	53.6	0	0.0	5	4.5	110
	MISSISSIPPI	42	31.8	17	12.9	71	53.8	0	0.0	2	1.5	132
	NEW MADRID	37	16.7	32	14.4	149	67.1	0	0.0	4	1.8	222
	OREGON	22	25.3	18	20.7	45	51.7	0	0.0	2	2.3	87



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AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE		UNSUB.-PSI		UNSUB.		FA		OTHER		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	122	26.8	51	11.2	267	58.6	0	0.0	16	3.5	456
	PERRY	20	22.0	11	12.1	56	61.5	0	0.0	4	4.4	91
	REYNOLDS	5	6.6	5	6.6	65	85.5	0	0.0	1	1.3	76
	RIPLEY	22	13.1	19	11.3	117	69.6	0	0.0	10	6.0	168
	ST FRANCOIS	121	19.4	52	8.3	431	69.0	0	0.0	21	3.4	625
	STE GENEVIEVE	15	13.0	19	16.5	72	62.6	0	0.0	9	7.8	115
	SCOTT	57	13.7	65	15.6	278	66.7	0	0.0	17	4.1	417
	SHANNON	14	21.9	7	10.9	32	50.0	0	0.0	11	17.2	64
	STODDARD	34	13.8	15	6.1	192	78.0	0	0.0	5	2.0	246
	WASHINGTON	19	6.1	2	0.6	34	10.9	254	81.2	4	1.3	313
	WAYNE	33	23.4	40	28.4	67	47.5	0	0.0	1	0.7	141
	AREA OFFICE	1	7.7	1	7.7	7	53.8	0	0.0	4	30.8	13
	*AREA TOTAL*	1,075	18.7	662	11.5	3,553	61.7	254	4.4	213	3.7	5,757
AREA 4	BARRY	25	8.3	9	3.0	232	76.8	0	0.0	36	11.9	302
	BARTON	16	12.6	3	2.4	4	3.1	96	75.6	8	6.3	127
	BATES	54	25.6	18	8.5	124	58.8	0	0.0	15	7.1	211
	BENTON	33	21.4	5	3.2	114	74.0	0	0.0	2	1.3	154
	CAMDEN	65	26.0	46	18.4	125	50.0	0	0.0	14	5.6	250
	CEDAR	15	12.9	2	1.7	19	16.4	72	62.1	8	6.9	116
	CHRISTIAN	80	26.1	36	11.8	171	55.9	0	0.0	19	6.2	306
	DADE	7	13.0	2	3.7	8	14.8	33	61.1	4	7.4	54
	DALLAS	23	15.8	19	13.0	88	60.3	0	0.0	16	11.0	146
	DOUGLAS	31	32.6	7	7.4	54	56.8	0	0.0	3	3.2	95
	GREENE	619	24.6	295	11.7	1,408	55.9	0	0.0	197	7.8	2,519
	HENRY	67	26.4	28	11.0	152	59.8	0	0.0	7	2.8	254
	HICKORY	21	25.9	4	4.9	54	66.7	0	0.0	2	2.5	81
	JASPER	140	11.9	13	1.1	116	9.9	618	52.6	287	24.4	1,174
	LACLEDE	91	30.6	44	14.8	156	52.5	0	0.0	6	2.0	297
	LAWRENCE	51	17.9	22	7.7	164	57.5	0	0.0	48	16.8	285
	MCDONALD	73	27.2	24	9.0	159	59.3	0	0.0	12	4.5	268
	MARIES	6	10.3	4	6.9	7	12.1	35	60.3	6	10.3	58
	MILLER	62	18.8	28	8.5	148	45.0	0	0.0	91	27.7	329
	MONITEAU	10	10.3	15	15.5	69	71.1	0	0.0	3	3.1	97
	MORGAN	33	16.5	9	4.5	144	72.0	0	0.0	14	7.0	200
	NEWTON	62	12.3	10	2.0	48	9.5	315	62.5	69	13.7	504
	OZARK	23	28.7	8	10.0	48	60.0	0	0.0	1	1.2	80
	PHELPS	69	17.6	8	2.0	34	8.7	259	66.2	21	5.4	391
	POLK	31	13.5	24	10.4	170	73.9	0	0.0	5	2.2	230
	PULASKI	83	20.0	16	3.9	38	9.2	208	50.2	69	16.7	414
	ST CLAIR	20	18.9	13	12.3	69	65.1	0	0.0	4	3.8	106
	STONE	39	18.8	9	4.3	146	70.2	0	0.0	14	6.7	208
	TANEY	90	23.0	45	11.5	230	58.7	0	0.0	27	6.9	392
	TEXAS	35	14.8	8	3.4	28	11.8	119	50.2	47	19.8	237
	VERNON	72	24.8	6	2.1	189	65.2	0	0.0	23	7.9	290
	WEBSTER	43	18.3	49	20.9	141	60.0	0	0.0	2	0.9	235
	WRIGHT	65	30.7	26	12.3	114	53.8	0	0.0	7	3.3	212
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	7	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
	*AREA TOTAL*	2,154	20.3	855	8.0	4,778	45.0	1,755	16.5	1,087	10.2	10,629
AREA 5	JACKSON	1,661	22.4	288	3.9	4,372	58.9	0	0.0	1,101	14.8	7,422
	AREA OFFICE	4	36.4	1	9.1	5	45.5	0	0.0	1	9.1	11
	*AREA TOTAL*	1,665	22.4	289	3.9	4,377	58.9	0	0.0	1,102	14.8	7,433
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	1,199	23.9	249	5.0	2,590	51.6	631	12.6	352	7.0	5,021
	AREA OFFICE	5	33.3	0	0.0	8	53.3	0	0.0	2	13.3	15
	*AREA TOTAL*	1,204	23.9	249	4.9	2,598	51.6	631	12.5	354	7.0	5,036
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	891	17.8	415	8.3	2,874	57.5	209	4.2	610	12.2	4,999
	AREA OFFICE	1	11.1	1	11.1	3	33.3	0	0.0	4	44.4	9
	*AREA TOTAL*	892	17.8	416	8.3	2,877	57.4	209	4.2	614	12.3	5,008
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	230	12.9	7	0.4	1,500	84.2	0	0.0	44	2.5	1,781
	OUT OF STATE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	66	100.0	66
	*AREA TOTAL*	230	12.5	7	0.4	1,500	81.2	0	0.0	110	6.0	1,847
STATE TOTAL		10,159	19.8	3,867	7.6	26,724	52.2	6,082	11.9	4,348	8.5	51,180

Conclusions are as follows:

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# Appendix B.

## 1997 Reported Children by Area, County and Conclusion

AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.- PSI	UNSUB.	FA	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
AREA 1	ANDREW	9	12	113	0	1	135	2.32	34.78
	ATCHISON	10	12	48	0	0	70	6.23	43.61
	BUCHANAN	342	64	1,131	0	111	1,648	15.79	76.08
	CALDWELL	42	6	130	0	8	186	19.09	84.55
	CARROLL	71	40	130	0	5	246	26.96	93.39
	CASS	176	140	553	0	53	922	8.66	45.38
	CHARITON	9	4	61	0	10	84	4.15	38.71
	CLAY	430	134	1,144	0	90	1,798	10.08	42.16
	CLINTON	55	22	138	0	9	224	11.61	47.27
	COOPER	37	12	118	0	9	176	9.83	46.75
	DAVISS	12	15	90	0	4	121	5.98	60.32
	DE KALB	7	10	60	0	1	78	3.61	40.27
	GENTRY	22	5	32	0	0	59	13.55	36.33
	GRUNDY	13	9	99	0	10	131	5.44	54.81
	HARRISON	13	6	92	0	5	116	7.21	64.34
	HOLT	21	7	62	0	0	90	14.77	63.29
	HOWARD	16	6	90	0	0	112	6.38	44.66
	JOHNSON	78	99	390	0	16	583	5.85	43.71
	LAFAYETTE	80	84	277	0	24	465	9.47	55.07
	LINN	34	19	109	0	5	167	10.18	49.99
	LIVINGSTON	71	19	105	0	1	196	20.05	55.34
	MERCER	12	5	29	0	2	48	15.63	62.50
	NODAWAY	28	55	108	0	2	193	4.81	33.17
	PETTIS	252	82	416	0	26	776	26.90	82.84
	PLATTE	208	37	367	0	12	624	12.33	36.98
	PUTNAM	10	4	42	0	5	61	8.80	53.65
	RANDOLPH	81	24	283	0	29	417	14.36	73.91
	RAY	100	27	210	0	13	350	16.18	56.62
	SALINE	102	66	289	0	52	509	18.07	90.15
	SULLIVAN	16	0	39	0	4	59	11.70	43.16
	WORTH	11	13	6	0	0	30	19.26	52.54
	AREA OFFICE	7	2	5	0	1	15	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,375	1,040	6,766	0	508	10,689	11.80	53.09
AREA 2	ADAIR	92	55	58	0	16	221	14.72	35.36
	AUDRAIN	62	64	171	0	15	312	10.77	54.18
	BOONE	241	35	337	788	135	1,536	7.45	47.46
	CALLAWAY	45	10	98	312	40	505	4.87	54.62
	CLARK	35	14	61	0	2	112	17.85	57.11
	COLE	235	78	532	0	23	868	14.48	53.49
	FRANKLIN	163	250	816	0	74	1,303	6.71	53.66
	GASCONADE	31	22	130	0	10	193	8.66	53.94
	JEFFERSON	179	31	156	1,993	170	2,529	3.30	46.62
	KNOX	37	12	12	0	4	65	39.70	69.74
	LEWIS	46	29	67	0	4	146	16.95	53.80
	LINCOLN	155	55	395	0	11	616	16.27	64.65
	MACON	42	44	115	0	10	211	12.43	62.44
	MARION	110	67	289	0	7	473	14.67	63.09
	MONROE	37	18	34	0	3	92	15.21	37.81
	MONTGOMERY	63	66	100	0	23	252	21.36	85.45
	OSAGE	22	6	54	0	1	83	6.79	25.63
	PIKE	73	39	134	0	23	269	17.41	64.15
	RALLS	37	11	45	0	1	94	18.06	45.88
	ST CHARLES	197	20	246	1,691	86	2,240	2.79	31.77
	SCHUYLER	18	10	27	0	0	55	17.32	52.94
	SCOTLAND	19	29	27	0	0	75	16.38	64.66
	SHELBY	25	23	39	0	3	90	14.77	53.16
	WARREN	64	23	148	0	35	270	11.53	48.62
	AREA OFFICE	1	2	8	0	1	12	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,029	1,013	4,099	4,784	697	12,622	7.44	46.27
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	15	21	58	0	2	96	5.22	33.40
	BUTLER	103	87	473	0	10	673	10.32	67.40
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	106	50	386	0	42	584	6.40	35.28
	CARTER	12	8	71	0	0	91	7.86	59.59
	CRAWFORD	106	85	212	0	14	417	19.81	77.94
	DENT	54	32	216	0	14	316	15.87	92.89
	DUNKLIN	183	47	457	0	25	712	21.21	82.51
	HOWELL	95	39	487	0	21	642	10.86	73.42
	IRON	16	55	116	0	9	196	5.73	70.18
	MADISON	25	37	91	0	5	158	8.85	55.93
	MISSISSIPPI	86	26	98	0	2	212	22.68	55.91
	NEW MADRID	63	63	256	0	6	388	10.88	66.98
	OREGON	39	21	66	0	2	128	17.63	57.87



**Appendix B. (continued)**  
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AREA	COUNTY	PROBABLE CAUSE	UNSUB.- PSI	UNSUB.	FA	OTHER	TOTAL	CHILDREN PER THOUSAND	
								PROBABLE CAUSE	TOTAL REPORTED
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	226	84	449	0	25	784	34.91	121.10
	PERRY	35	15	105	0	5	160	7.68	35.09
	REYNOLDS	7	12	97	0	2	118	4.24	71.56
	RIPLEY	32	28	196	0	13	269	9.26	77.81
	ST FRANCOIS	171	73	676	0	33	953	13.25	73.85
	STE GENEVIEVE	28	24	112	0	10	174	6.34	39.39
	SCOTT	79	95	449	0	22	645	7.23	59.04
	SHANNON	33	13	57	0	20	123	16.22	60.44
	STODDARD	60	20	281	0	5	366	8.12	49.53
	WASHINGTON	24	2	45	428	5	504	3.96	83.10
	WAYNE	38	75	111	0	4	228	13.79	82.76
	AREA OFFICE	1	3	10	0	5	19	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,637	1,015	5,575	428	301	8,956	11.94	65.32
AREA 4	BARRY	34	14	390	0	56	494	4.59	66.70
	BARTON	22	3	4	165	11	205	7.29	67.97
	BATES	92	40	226	0	16	374	24.35	98.97
	BENTON	46	5	192	0	2	245	15.22	81.05
	CAMDEN	98	74	211	0	20	403	16.14	66.39
	CEDAR	19	3	26	110	14	172	6.90	62.50
	CHRISTIAN	113	52	238	0	22	425	10.31	38.78
	DADE	8	2	10	52	4	76	4.22	40.08
	DALLAS	30	26	137	0	20	213	8.25	58.58
	DOUGLAS	43	9	82	0	6	140	13.58	44.21
	GREENE	945	422	2,191	0	272	3,830	17.94	72.72
	HENRY	108	45	250	0	13	416	22.52	86.74
	HICKORY	29	10	81	0	2	122	20.77	87.39
	JASPER	195	22	158	986	450	1,811	8.19	76.04
	LACLEDE	148	58	240	0	11	457		60.12
	LAWRENCE	92	33	250	0	64	439	11.20	53.43
	MCDONALD	105	42	283	0	18	448	20.62	87.96
	MARIES	11	5	9	55	7	87	5.50	43.48
	MILLER	90	37	246	0	129	502	15.38	85.80
	MONITEAU	11	24	94	0	3	132	3.31	39.77
	MORGAN	41	10	222	0	19	292	11.22	79.93
	NEWTON	98	15	66	552	101	832	7.92	67.25
	OZARK	32	10	89	0	2	133	17.24	71.66
	PHELPS	101	15	45	403	27	591	11.13	65.12
	POLK	56	33	268	0	6	363	9.05	58.64
	PULASKI	128	19	55	308	90	600	9.46	44.36
	ST CLAIR	47	26	108	0	7	188	24.16	96.66
	STONE	63	13	218	0	22	316	14.15	70.96
	TANEY	147	73	363	0	43	626	27.95	119.03
	TEXAS	54	10	32	194	74	364	9.39	63.27
	VERNON	108	9	302	0	35	454	21.69	91.16
	WEBSTER	55	66	226	0	4	351	8.16	52.05
	WRIGHT	120	40	201	0	10	371	25.35	78.39
	AREA OFFICE	0	0	11	0	0	11	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	3,289	1,265	7,524	2,825	1,580	16,483	13.65	68.39
AREA 5	JACKSON	2,635	508	7,444	0	1,593	12,180	16.43	75.97
	AREA OFFICE	6	1	10	0	3	20	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	2,641	509	7,454	0	1,596	12,200	16.47	76.09
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	1,981	487	5,078	1,259	586	9,391	19.79	93.81
	AREA OFFICE	6	0	9	0	2	17	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,987	487	5,087	1,259	588	9,408	19.85	93.98
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	1,264	557	4,225	317	843	7,206	5.11	29.14
	AREA OFFICE	1	1	4	0	5	11	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	1,265	558	4,229	317	848	7,217	5.11	29.18
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	373	9	2,104	0	56	2,542	0.00	0.00
	OUT OF STATE	0	0	0	0	83	83	0.00	0.00
	* AREA TOTAL *	373	9	2,104	0	139	2,625	0.00	0.00
STATE TOTAL		15,596	5,896	42,838	9,613	6,257	80,200	11.47	58.97

Conclusions are as follows:

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Population data is based on the 1990 Census: Summary File 3, July 1992. Missouri population through age 17. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.



**Appendix C.**
**1997 Family Assessment Incidents by Area, County and Conclusion**

AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON- COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 2	BOONE	164	31.8	301	58.4	50	9.7	515
	CALLAWAY	72	35.6	123	60.9	7	3.5	202
	JEFFERSON	453	34.7	802	61.5	50	3.8	1,305
	ST CHARLES	349	28.8	848	70.0	14	1.2	1,211
	*SITE TOTAL*	1,038	32.1	2,074	64.2	121	3.7	3,233
AREA 3	WASHINGTON	41	16.1	210	82.7	3	1.2	254
	*SITE TOTAL*	41	16.1	210	82.7	3	1.2	254
AREA 4	BARTON	65	67.7	30	31.3	1	1.0	96
	CEDAR	26	36.1	45	62.5	1	1.4	72
	DADE	6	18.2	27	81.8	0	0	33
	JASPER	373	60.4	230	37.2	15	2.4	618
	MARIES	11	31.4	24	68.6	0	0	35
	NEWTON	219	69.5	85	27.0	11	3.5	315
	PHELPS	68	26.3	191	73.7	0	0	259
	PULASKI	53	25.5	150	72.1	5	2.4	208
	TEXAS	47	39.5	69	58.0	3	2.5	119
	*SITE TOTAL*	868	49.5	851	48.5	36	2.1	1,755
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	279	44.2	336	53.2	16	2.5	631
	*SITE TOTAL*	279	44.2	336	53.2	16	2.5	631
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	141	67.5	56	26.8	12	5.7	209
	*SITE TOTAL*	141	67.5	56	26.8	12	5.7	209
STATE TOTAL		2,367	38.9	3,527	58.0	188	3.1	6,082

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AREA	COUNTY	SERVICE NEEDED		SERVICE NOT NEEDED		NON- COOPERATIVE		TOTAL
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 2	BOONE	247	31.3	461	58.5	80	10.2	788
	CALLAWAY	110	35.3	192	61.5	10	3.2	312
	JEFFERSON	687	34.5	1,232	61.8	74	3.7	1,993
	ST CHARLES	489	28.9	1,184	70.0	18	1.1	1,691
	*SITE TOTAL*	1,533	32.0	3,069	64.2	182	3.8	4,784
AREA 3	WASHINGTON	68	15.9	356	83.1	4	1.0	428
	*SITE TOTAL*	68	15.9	356	83.1	4	1.0	428
AREA 4	BARTON	110	66.7	53	32.1	2	1.2	165
	CEDAR	40	36.3	69	62.7	1	1.0	110
	DADE	13	25.0	39	75.0	0	0.0	52
	JASPER	595	60.4	370	37.5	21	2.1	986
	MARIES	19	34.5	36	65.5	0	0.0	55
	NEWTON	393	71.2	145	26.3	14	2.5	552
	PHELPS	106	26.3	297	73.7	0	0.0	403
	PULASKI	77	25.0	225	73.1	6	1.9	308
	TEXAS	72	37.1	116	59.8	6	3.1	194
	*SITE TOTAL*	1,425	50.4	1,350	47.8	50	1.8	2,825
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	536	42.6	695	55.2	28	2.2	1,259
	*SITE TOTAL*	536	42.6	695	55.2	28	2.2	1,259
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	209	65.9	94	29.7	14	4.4	317
	*SITE TOTAL*	209	65.9	94	29.7	14	4.4	317
STATE TOTAL		3,771	39.2	5,564	57.9	278	2.9	9,613

Appendix D.

1997 Probable Cause Incidents by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	4	57.1	0	0.0	0	0.0
	ATCHISON	1	10.0	3	30.0	0	0.0
	BUCHANAN	54	23.8	126	55.5	3	1.3
	CALDWELL	6	25.0	14	58.3	1	4.2
	CARROLL	9	25.0	21	58.3	0	0.0
	CASS	44	35.5	58	46.8	1	0.8
	CHARITON	3	42.9	4	57.1	0	0.0
	CLAY	48	16.6	148	51.0	0	0.0
	CLINTON	7	20.6	14	41.2	0	0.0
	COOPER	7	24.1	11	37.9	0	0.0
	DAVIESS	2	28.6	4	57.1	0	0.0
	DE KALB	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0
	GENTRY	6	35.3	11	64.7	0	0.0
	GRUNDY	2	15.4	6	46.2	0	0.0
	HARRISON	0	0.0	4	66.7	1	16.7
	HOLT	2	18.2	4	36.4	1	9.1
	HOWARD	0	0.0	4	40.0	0	0.0
	JOHNSON	12	23.1	27	51.9	1	1.9
	LAFAYETTE	11	20.0	29	52.7	0	0.0
	LINN	9	40.9	7	31.8	0	0.0
	LIVINGSTON	4	7.6	31	58.5	0	0.0
	MERCER	1	12.5	6	75.0	0	0.0
	NODAWAY	2	12.5	8	50.0	1	6.3
	PETTIS	20	14.0	98	68.5	1	0.7
	PLATTE	56	39.2	52	36.4	0	0.0
	PUTNAM	3	42.9	3	42.9	0	0.0
	RANDOLPH	15	26.8	26	46.4	0	0.0
	RAY	20	28.6	30	42.9	2	2.9
	SALINE	14	20.9	31	46.3	5	7.5
	SULLIVAN	5	50.0	6	60.0	0	0.0
	WORTH	2	33.3	4	66.7	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	1	20.0	1	20.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	371	23.6	792	50.4	17	1.1
AREA 2	ADAIR	17	30.4	31	55.4	7	12.5
	AUDRAIN	10	20.8	16	33.3	6	12.5
	BOONE	66	37.7	70	40.0	6	3.4
	CALLAWAY	13	35.1	9	24.3	1	2.7
	CLARK	0	0.0	11	73.3	0	0.0
	COLE	32	23.0	79	56.8	3	2.2
	FRANKLIN	23	20.5	51	45.5	1	0.9
	GASCONADE	12	46.2	6	23.1	2	7.7
	JEFFERSON	35	26.7	36	27.5	2	1.5
	KNOX	5	19.2	14	53.9	4	15.4
	LEWIS	7	23.3	17	56.7	0	0.0
	LINCOLN	20	20.0	63	63.0	5	5.0
	MACON	5	15.6	19	59.4	1	3.1
	MARION	16	21.1	34	44.7	0	0.0
	MONROE	3	18.8	12	75.0	0	0.0
	MONTGOMERY	11	26.2	22	52.4	0	0.0
	OSAGE	4	26.7	9	60.0	0	0.0
	PIKE	5	11.4	19	43.2	0	0.0
	RALLS	3	14.3	13	61.9	0	0.0
	ST CHARLES	39	26.9	46	31.7	1	0.7
	SCHUYLER	5	50.0	6	60.0	1	10.0
	SCOTLAND	7	46.7	4	26.7	3	20.0
	SHELBY	8	40.0	8	40.0	2	10.0
	WARREN	5	14.3	15	42.9	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	351	25.7	610	44.6	45	3.3
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	3	30.0	4	40.0	0	0.0
	BUTLER	14	17.1	27	32.9	4	4.9
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	21	23.9	29	33.0	7	8.0
	CARTER	1	9.1	1	9.1	0	0.0
	CRAWFORD	22	27.2	30	37.0	2	2.5
	DENT	3	8.8	17	50.0	1	2.9
	DUNKLIN	29	25.9	41	36.6	1	0.9
	HOWELL	16	25.8	23	37.1	1	1.6
	IRON	1	8.3	3	25.0	0	0.0
	MADISON	3	15.8	7	36.8	2	10.5
	MISSISSIPPI	6	14.3	32	76.2	1	2.4
	NEW MADRID	5	13.5	20	54.1	1	2.7
	OREGON	8	36.4	10	45.5	0	0.0

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AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	0	0.0	2	28.6	1	14.3	7
	ATCHISON	0	0.0	1	10.0	5	50.0	10
	BUCHANAN	11	4.9	23	10.1	41	18.1	227
	CALDWELL	1	4.2	0	0.0	6	25.0	24
	CARROLL	1	2.8	7	19.4	3	8.3	36
	CASS	4	3.2	4	3.2	22	17.7	124
	CHARITON	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
	CLAY	9	3.1	49	16.9	55	19.0	290
	CLINTON	0	0.0	5	14.7	8	23.5	34
	COOPER	4	13.8	8	27.6	1	3.5	29
	DAVIESS	0	0.0	1	14.3	1	14.3	7
	DE KALB	0	0.0	1	14.3	4	57.1	7
	GENTRY	0	0.0	1	5.9	3	17.7	17
	GRUNDY	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	69.2	13
	HARRISON	0	0.0	2	33.3	0	0.0	6
	HOLT	0	33.3	0	0.0	4	36.4	11
	HOWARD	0	0.0	6	60.0	2	20.0	10
	JOHNSON	3	5.8	3	5.8	13	25.0	52
	LAFAYETTE	1	1.8	9	16.4	9	16.4	55
	LINN	0	0.0	3	13.6	3	13.6	22
	LIVINGSTON	2	3.8	2	3.8	16	30.2	53
	MERCER	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	25.0	8
	NODAWAY	1	6.3	2	12.5	5	31.3	16
	PETTIS	7	4.9	20	14.0	15	10.5	143
	PLATTE	2	1.4	26	18.2	14	9.8	143
	PUTNAM	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	14.3	7
	RANDOLPH	7	12.5	6	10.7	13	23.2	56
	RAY	0	0.0	11	15.7	11	15.7	70
	SALINE	3	4.5	14	20.9	10	14.9	67
	SULLIVAN	0	0.0	1	10.0	2	20.0	10
	WORTH	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	60.0	5
	* AREA TOTAL *	56	3.6	207	13.2	282	17.9	1,572
AREA 2	ADAIR	1	1.8	4	7.1	6	10.7	56
	AUDRAIN	1	2.1	2	4.2	15	31.3	48
	BOONE	3	1.7	2	1.1	44	25.1	175
	CALLAWAY	1	2.7	0	0.0	14	37.8	37
	CLARK	1	6.7	1	6.7	2	13.3	15
	COLE	8	5.8	27	19.4	11	7.9	139
	FRANKLIN	2	1.8	21	18.8	26	23.2	112
	GASCONADE	0	0.0	2	7.7	7	26.9	26
	JEFFERSON	2	1.5	1	0.8	72	55.0	131
	KNOX	1	3.9	0	0.0	3	11.5	26
	LEWIS	0	0.0	1	3.3	5	16.7	30
	LINCOLN	2	2.0	4	4.0	17	17.0	100
	MACON	0	0.0	1	3.1	7	21.9	32
	MARION	2	2.6	17	22.4	11	14.5	76
	MONROE	3	18.8	3	18.8	0	0.0	16
	MONTGOMERY	3	7.1	3	7.1	6	14.3	42
	OSAGE	0	0.0	1	6.7	1	6.7	15
	PIKE	0	0.0	14	31.8	9	20.5	44
	RALLS	2	9.5	4	19.1	4	19.1	21
	ST CHARLES	2	1.4	1	0.7	73	50.3	145
	SCHUYLER	0	0.0	1	10.0	2	20.0	10
	SCOTLAND	1	6.7	0	0.0	5	33.3	15
	SHELBY	1	5.0	0	0.0	4	20.0	20
	WARREN	2	5.7	9	25.7	4	11.4	35
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	38	2.8	119	8.7	349	25.5	1,367
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	2	20.0	0	0.0	3	30.0	10
	BUTLER	2	2.4	10	12.2	32	39.0	82
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	7	8.0	10	11.4	26	29.6	88
	CARTER	3	27.3	1	9.1	7	63.6	11
	CRAWFORD	6	7.4	13	16.1	14	17.3	81
	DENT	0	0.0	4	11.8	11	32.4	34
	DUNKLIN	8	7.1	26	23.2	19	17.0	112
	HOWELL	0	0.0	4	6.5	22	35.5	62
	IRON	0	0.0	3	25.0	5	41.7	12
	MADISON	1	5.3	1	5.3	5	26.3	19
	MISSISSIPPI	2	4.8	2	4.8	4	9.5	42
	NEW MADRID	1	2.7	7	18.9	5	13.5	37
	OREGON	0	0.0	1	4.6	6	27.3	22



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AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	16	13.1	55	45.1	7	5.7
	PERRY	5	25.0	6	30.0	1	5.0
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	1	20.0	0	0.0
	RIPLEY	6	27.3	10	45.5	1	4.6
	ST FRANCOIS	33	27.3	51	42.2	4	3.3
	STE GENEVIEVE	4	26.7	9	60.0	0	0.0
	SCOTT	14	24.6	24	42.1	4	7.0
	SHANNON	5	35.7	6	42.9	0	0.0
	STODDARD	3	8.8	15	44.1	3	8.8
	WASHINGTON	4	21.1	3	15.8	0	0.0
	WAYNE	5	15.2	6	18.2	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	227	21.1	431	40.1	40	3.7
AREA 4	BARRY	9	36.0	9	36.0	0	0.0
	BARTON	5	31.3	5	31.3	0	0.0
	BATES	8	14.8	26	48.2	0	0.0
	BENTON	9	27.3	7	21.2	0	0.0
	CAMDEN	11	16.9	25	38.5	5	7.7
	CEDAR	6	40.0	3	20.0	0	0.0
	CHRISTIAN	15	18.8	49	61.3	4	5.0
	DADE	3	42.9	2	28.6	0	0.0
	DALLAS	5	21.7	10	43.5	0	0.0
	DOUGLAS	5	16.1	17	54.8	0	0.0
	GREENE	139	22.5	373	60.3	6	1.0
	HENRY	18	26.9	34	50.8	4	6.0
	HICKORY	8	38.1	5	23.8	0	0.0
	JASPER	33	23.6	52	37.1	2	1.4
	LACLEDE	27	29.7	40	44.0	3	3.3
	LAWRENCE	19	37.3	28	54.9	3	5.9
	MCDONALD	21	28.8	33	45.2	1	1.4
	MARIES	1	16.7	4	66.7	0	0.0
	MILLER	13	21.0	30	48.4	2	3.2
	MONITEAU	4	40.0	3	30.0	0	0.0
	MORGAN	8	24.2	11	33.3	0	0.0
	NEWTON	13	21.0	18	29.0	0	0.0
	OZARK	8	34.8	7	30.4	0	0.0
	PHELPS	16	23.2	26	37.7	0	0.0
	POLK	9	29.0	15	48.4	0	0.0
	PULASKI	33	39.8	39	47.0	8	9.6
	ST CLAIR	4	20.0	14	70.0	0	0.0
	STONE	10	25.6	16	41.0	2	5.1
	TANEY	19	21.1	42	46.7	1	1.1
	TEXAS	9	25.7	11	31.4	0	0.0
	VERNON	13	18.1	38	52.8	0	0.0
	WEBSTER	11	25.6	17	39.5	0	0.0
	WRIGHT	12	18.5	36	55.4	4	6.2
	* AREA TOTAL *	524	24.3	1,045	48.5	45	2.1
AREA 5	JACKSON	512	30.8	741	44.6	14	0.8
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	3	75.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	512	30.8	744	44.7	14	0.8
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	365	30.4	513	42.8	4	0.3
	AREA OFFICE	1	20.0	5	100.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	366	30.4	518	43.0	4	0.3
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	271	30.4	350	39.3	4	0.5
	AREA OFFICE	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	272	30.5	350	39.2	4	0.5
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	88	38.3	81	35.2	1	0.4
	* AREA TOTAL *	88	38.3	81	35.2	1	0.4
STATE TOTAL		2,711	26.7	4,571	45.0	170	1.7

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AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE INCIDENTS
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	11	9.0	42	34.4	9	7.4	122
	PERRY	0	0.0	2	10.0	8	40.0	20
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	4	80.0	0	0.0	5
	RIPLEY	0	0.0	0	0.0	7	31.8	22
	ST FRANCOIS	3	2.5	16	13.2	28	23.1	121
	STE GENEVIEVE	0	0.0	3	20.0	1	6.7	15
	SCOTT	3	5.3	13	22.8	12	21.1	57
	SHANNON	1	7.1	0	0.0	5	35.7	14
	STODDARD	3	8.8	3	8.8	14	41.2	34
	WASHINGTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	13	68.4	19
	WAYNE	2	6.1	10	30.3	13	39.4	33
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	55	5.1	175	16.3	269	25.0	1,075
AREA 4	BARRY	1	4.0	0	0.0	7	28.0	25
	BARTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	62.5	16
	BATES	1	1.9	16	29.6	9	16.7	54
	BENTON	0	0.0	2	6.1	15	45.5	33
	CAMDEN	4	6.2	14	21.5	12	18.5	65
	CEDAR	3	20.0	0	0.0	5	33.3	15
	CHRISTIAN	3	3.8	13	16.3	6	7.5	80
	DADE	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	42.9	7
	DALLAS	1	4.4	2	8.7	7	30.4	23
	DOUGLAS	1	3.2	2	6.5	11	35.5	31
	GREENE	19	3.1	25	4.0	116	18.7	619
	HENRY	0	0.0	10	14.9	10	14.9	67
	HICKORY	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	42.9	21
	JASPER	2	1.4	3	2.1	61	43.6	140
	LACLEDE	4	4.4	15	16.5	14	15.4	91
	LAWRENCE	6	11.8	6	11.8	8	15.7	51
	MCDONALD	5	6.9	12	16.4	11	15.1	73
	MARIES	1	16.7	2	33.3	2	33.3	6
	MILLER	2	3.2	12	19.4	12	19.4	62
	MONITEAU	1	10.0	1	10.0	2	20.0	10
	MORGAN	1	3.0	3	9.1	14	42.4	33
	NEWTON	1	1.6	0	0.0	35	56.5	62
	OZARK	1	4.4	0	0.0	7	30.4	23
	PHELPS	4	5.8	6	8.7	30	43.5	69
	POLK	0	0.0	3	9.7	5	16.1	31
	PULASKI	3	3.6	3	3.6	18	21.7	83
	ST CLAIR	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	20
	STONE	4	10.3	3	7.7	14	35.9	39
	TANEY	4	4.4	26	28.9	10	11.1	90
	TEXAS	2	5.7	0	0.0	19	54.3	35
	VERNON	5	6.9	8	11.1	14	19.4	72
	WEBSTER	0	0.0	3	7.0	13	30.2	43
	WRIGHT	2	3.1	8	12.3	15	23.1	65
	* AREA TOTAL *	82	3.8	199	9.2	525	24.4	2,154
AREA 5	JACKSON	52	3.1	175	10.5	359	21.6	1,661
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	4
	* AREA TOTAL *	52	3.1	175	10.5	360	21.6	1,665
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	100	8.3	191	15.9	186	15.5	1,199
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5
	* AREA TOTAL *	100	8.3	191	15.9	186	15.5	1,204
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	22	2.5	150	16.8	162	18.2	891
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	22	2.5	150	16.8	162	18.2	892
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	10	4.4	1	0.4	72	31.3	230
	* AREA TOTAL *	10	4.4	1	0.4	72	31.3	230
STATE TOTAL		415	4.1	1,217	12.0	2,205	21.7	10,159

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause incidents. Percent total is greater than 100 because a probable cause incident may be assigned up to six categories of abuse/neglect.

# Appendix E.

## 1997 Probable Cause Children by Area, County and Category of Abuse/Neglect

AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 1	ANDREW	4	44.4	0	0.0	0	0.0
	ATCHISON	1	10.0	3	30.0	0	0.0
	BUCHANAN	61	17.8	226	66.1	3	0.9
	CALDWELL	6	14.3	27	64.3	2	4.8
	CARROLL	12	16.9	57	80.3	0	0.0
	CASS	46	26.1	104	59.1	1	0.6
	CHARITON	3	33.3	6	66.7	0	0.0
	CLAY	58	13.5	261	60.7	0	0.0
	CLINTON	7	12.7	28	50.9	0	0.0
	COOPER	8	21.6	16	43.2	0	0.0
	DAVISS	3	25.0	8	66.7	0	0.0
	DE KALB	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0
	GENTRY	7	31.8	15	68.2	0	0.0
	GRUNDY	2	15.4	6	46.2	0	0.0
	HARRISON	0	0.0	11	84.6	1	7.7
	HOLT	2	9.5	14	66.7	1	4.8
	HOWARD	0	0.0	8	50.0	0	0.0
	JOHNSON	18	23.1	48	61.5	1	1.3
	LAFAYETTE	17	21.3	48	60.0	0	0.0
	LINN	10	29.4	16	47.1	0	0.0
	LIVINGSTON	4	5.6	48	67.6	0	0.0
	MERCER	1	8.3	10	83.3	0	0.0
	NODAWAY	2	7.1	20	71.4	1	3.6
	PETTIS	27	10.7	195	77.4	1	0.4
	PLATTE	62	29.8	101	48.6	0	0.0
	PUTNAM	3	30.0	6	60.0	0	0.0
	RANDOLPH	17	21.0	49	60.5	0	0.0
	RAY	21	21.0	52	52.0	3	3.0
	SALINE	15	14.7	62	60.8	5	4.9
	SULLIVAN	6	37.5	12	75.0	0	0.0
	WORTH	3	27.3	8	72.7	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	1	14.3	2	28.6	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	428	18.0	1,468	61.8	19	0.8
AREA 2	ADAIR	18	19.6	66	71.7	8	8.7
	AUDRAIN	12	19.4	21	33.9	11	17.7
	BOONE	84	34.9	118	49.0	6	2.5
	CALLAWAY	13	28.9	16	35.6	1	2.2
	CLARK	0	0.0	30	85.7	0	0.0
	COLE	35	14.9	156	66.4	3	1.3
	FRANKLIN	24	14.7	90	55.2	1	0.6
	GASCONADE	13	41.9	10	32.3	2	6.5
	JEFFERSON	39	21.8	71	39.7	3	1.7
	KNOX	6	16.2	22	59.5	6	16.2
	LEWIS	7	15.2	33	71.7	0	0.0
	LINCOLN	22	14.2	111	71.6	6	3.9
	MACON	5	11.9	30	71.4	1	2.4
	MARION	17	15.5	64	58.2	0	0.0
	MONROE	7	18.9	29	78.4	0	0.0
	MONTGOMERY	13	20.6	41	65.1	0	0.0
	OSAGE	4	18.2	16	72.7	0	0.0
	PIKE	7	9.6	43	58.9	0	0.0
	RALLS	5	13.5	27	73.0	0	0.0
	ST CHARLES	54	27.4	82	41.6	1	0.5
	SCHUYLER	11	61.1	9	50.0	1	5.6
	SCOTLAND	9	47.4	6	31.6	5	26.3
	SHELBY	9	36.0	11	44.0	3	12.0
	WARREN	5	7.8	39	61.0	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	419	20.7	1,141	56.2	58	2.9
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	3	20.0	9	60.0	0	0.0
	BUTLER	14	13.6	41	39.8	7	6.8
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	22	20.8	41	38.7	8	7.6
	CARTER	1	8.3	1	8.3	0	0.0
	CRAWFORD	25	23.6	42	39.6	3	2.8
	DENT	3	5.6	34	63.0	1	1.9
	DUNKLIN	40	21.9	91	49.7	1	0.6
	HOWELL	17	17.9	48	50.5	1	1.1
	IRON	1	6.3	4	25.0	0	0.0
	MADISON	5	20.0	10	40.0	3	12.0
	MISSISSIPPI	7	8.1	74	86.1	1	1.2
	NEW MADRID	5	7.9	39	61.9	2	3.2
	OREGON	14	35.9	25	64.1	0	0.0



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AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 1	ANDREW	0	0.0	2	22.2	3	33.3	9
	ATCHISON	0	0.0	1	10.0	5	50.0	10
	BUCHANAN	11	3.2	40	11.7	49	14.3	342
	CALDWELL	1	2.4	0	0.0	12	28.6	42
	CARROLL	1	1.4	11	15.5	4	5.6	71
	CASS	4	2.3	5	2.8	24	13.6	176
	CHARITON	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	9
	CLAY	9	2.1	63	14.7	62	14.4	430
	CLINTON	0	0.0	10	18.2	10	18.2	55
	COOPER	4	10.8	9	24.3	1	2.7	37
	DAVIESS	0	0.0	1	8.3	1	8.3	12
	DE KALB	0	0.0	1	14.3	4	57.1	7
	GENTRY	0	0.0	2	9.1	3	13.6	22
	GRUNDY	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	69.2	13
	HARRISON	0	0.0	2	15.4	0	0.0	13
	HOLT	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	19.1	21
	HOWARD	0	0.0	11	68.8	2	12.5	16
	JOHNSON	3	3.9	4	5.1	14	18.0	78
	LAFAYETTE	1	1.3	13	16.3	9	11.3	80
	LINN	0	0.0	5	14.7	3	8.8	34
	LIVINGSTON	2	2.8	2	2.8	18	25.4	71
	MERCER	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	16.7	12
	NODAWAY	1	3.6	2	7.1	8	28.6	28
	PETTIS	8	3.2	28	11.1	16	6.4	252
	PLATTE	2	1.0	36	17.3	17	8.2	208
	PUTNAM	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	10
	RANDOLPH	12	14.8	6	7.4	15	18.5	81
	RAY	0	0.0	15	15.0	13	13.0	100
	SALINE	3	2.9	17	16.7	13	12.8	102
	SULLIVAN	0	0.0	1	6.3	3	18.8	16
	WORTH	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	11
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	4	57.1	7
	* AREA TOTAL *	62	2.6	287	12.1	329	13.9	2,375
AREA 2	ADAIR	1	1.1	4	4.4	6	6.5	92
	AUDRAIN	1	1.6	2	3.2	17	27.4	62
	BOONE	3	1.2	3	1.2	47	19.5	241
	CALLAWAY	1	2.2	0	0.0	16	35.6	45
	CLARK	1	2.9	1	2.9	3	8.6	35
	COLE	8	3.4	46	19.6	12	5.1	235
	FRANKLIN	2	1.2	31	19.0	29	17.8	163
	GASCONADE	0	0.0	3	9.7	7	22.6	31
	JEFFERSON	2	1.1	2	1.1	78	43.6	179
	KNOX	1	2.7	0	0.0	3	8.1	37
	LEWIS	0	0.0	1	2.2	5	10.9	46
	LINCOLN	2	1.3	7	4.5	20	12.9	155
	MACON	0	0.0	1	2.4	8	19.1	42
	MARION	2	1.8	20	18.2	12	10.9	110
	MONROE	7	18.9	5	13.5	0	0.0	37
	MONTGOMERY	8	12.7	3	4.8	6	9.5	63
	OSAGE	0	0.0	1	4.6	1	4.6	22
	PIKE	0	0.0	18	24.7	10	13.7	73
	RALLS	2	5.4	8	21.6	4	10.8	37
	ST CHARLES	3	1.5	1	0.5	78	39.6	197
	SCHUYLER	0	0.0	1	5.6	2	11.1	18
	SCOTLAND	1	5.3	0	0.0	6	31.6	19
	SHELBY	1	4.0	0	0.0	4	16.0	25
	WARREN	2	3.1	12	18.8	6	9.4	64
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	48	2.4	170	8.4	381	18.8	2,029
AREA 3	BOLLINGER	3	20.0	0	0.0	3	20.0	15
	BUTLER	2	1.9	12	11.7	34	33.0	103
	CAPE GIRARDEAU	7	6.6	11	10.4	30	28.3	106
	CARTER	3	25.0	1	8.3	8	66.7	12
	CRAWFORD	10	9.4	16	15.1	17	16.0	106
	DENT	0	0.0	7	13.0	11	20.4	54
	DUNKLIN	8	4.4	35	19.1	25	13.7	183
	HOWELL	0	0.0	5	5.3	29	30.5	95
	IRON	0	0.0	5	31.3	6	37.5	16
	MADISON	1	4.0	1	4.0	5	20.0	25
	MISSISSIPPI	3	3.5	2	2.3	5	5.8	86
	NEW MADRID	1	1.6	11	17.5	7	11.1	63
	OREGON	0	0.0	2	5.1	6	15.4	39

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AREA	COUNTY	PHYSICAL ABUSE		NEGLECT		EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	27	12.0	132	58.4	14	6.2
	PERRY	5	14.3	16	45.7	1	2.9
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	1	14.3	0	0.0
	RIPLEY	7	21.9	16	50.0	3	9.4
	ST FRANCOIS	38	22.2	87	50.9	5	2.9
	STE GENEVIEVE	4	14.3	22	78.6	0	0.0
	SCOTT	14	17.7	41	51.9	5	6.3
	SHANNON	9	27.3	22	66.7	0	0.0
	STODDARD	3	5.0	39	65.0	6	10.0
	WASHINGTON	8	33.3	3	12.5	0	0.0
	WAYNE	5	13.2	10	26.3	0	0.0
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	277	16.9	849	51.9	61	3.7
AREA 4	BARRY	11	32.4	15	44.1	0	0.0
	BARTON	5	22.7	6	27.3	0	0.0
	BATES	8	8.7	53	57.6	0	0.0
	BENTON	10	21.7	16	34.8	0	0.0
	CAMDEN	13	13.3	52	53.1	7	7.1
	CEDAR	6	31.6	7	36.8	0	0.0
	CHRISTIAN	18	15.9	77	68.1	4	3.5
	DADE	3	37.5	3	37.5	0	0.0
	DALLAS	5	16.7	16	53.3	0	0.0
	DOUGLAS	5	11.6	25	58.1	0	0.0
	GREENE	176	18.6	650	68.8	6	0.6
	HENRY	23	21.3	68	63.0	6	5.6
	HICKORY	10	34.5	12	41.4	0	0.0
	JASPER	41	21.0	89	45.6	2	1.0
	LACLEDE	30	20.3	84	56.8	5	3.4
	LAWRENCE	34	37.0	57	62.0	6	6.5
	MCDONALD	29	27.6	49	46.7	2	1.9
	MARIES	3	27.3	9	81.8	0	0.0
	MILLER	15	16.7	55	61.1	4	4.4
	MONITEAU	5	45.5	3	27.3	0	0.0
	MORGAN	9	22.0	16	39.0	0	0.0
	NEWTON	25	25.5	32	32.7	0	0.0
	OZARK	8	25.0	16	50.0	0	0.0
	PHELPS	18	17.8	51	50.5	0	0.0
	POLK	10	17.9	35	62.5	0	0.0
	PULASKI	39	30.5	76	59.4	11	8.6
	ST CLAIR	5	10.6	40	85.1	0	0.0
	STONE	14	22.2	26	41.3	4	6.4
	TANEY	25	17.0	82	55.8	4	2.7
	TEXAS	12	22.2	20	37.0	0	0.0
	VERNON	16	14.8	70	64.8	0	0.0
	WEBSTER	11	20.0	29	52.7	0	0.0
	WRIGHT	12	10.0	80	66.7	12	10.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	654	19.9	1,919	58.4	73	2.2
AREA 5	JACKSON	640	24.3	1,444	54.8	19	0.7
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	5	83.3	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	640	24.2	1,449	54.9	19	0.7
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	477	24.1	1,091	55.1	4	0.2
	AREA OFFICE	1	16.7	6	100.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	478	24.1	1,097	55.2	4	0.2
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	317	25.1	613	48.5	5	0.4
	AREA OFFICE	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	* AREA TOTAL *	318	25.1	613	48.5	5	0.4
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	118	31.6	174	46.7	1	0.3
	* AREA TOTAL *	118	31.6	174	46.7	1	0.3
STATE TOTAL		3,332	21.4	8,710	55.9	240	1.5

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AREA	COUNTY	MEDICAL NEGLECT		EDUCATIONAL NEGLECT		SEXUAL MALTREATMENT		TOTAL PROBABLE CAUSE CHILDREN
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
AREA 3	PEMISCOT	12	5.3	75	33.2	13	5.8	226
	PERRY	0	0.0	4	11.4	11	31.4	35
	REYNOLDS	0	0.0	6	85.7	0	0.0	7
	RIPLEY	0	0.0	0	0.0	7	21.9	32
	ST FRANCOIS	3	1.8	19	11.1	37	21.6	171
	STE GENEVIEVE	0	0.0	3	10.7	1	3.6	28
	SCOTT	3	3.8	15	19.0	15	19.0	79
	SHANNON	2	6.1	0	0.0	6	18.2	33
	STODDARD	4	6.7	4	6.7	17	28.3	60
	WASHINGTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	14	58.3	24
	WAYNE	2	5.3	10	26.3	14	36.8	38
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	64	3.9	244	14.9	321	19.6	1,637
AREA 4	BARRY	1	2.9	0	0.0	8	23.5	34
	BARTON	0	0.0	0	0.0	15	68.2	22
	BATES	1	1.1	29	31.5	9	9.8	92
	BENTON	0	0.0	2	4.4	18	39.1	46
	CAMDEN	5	5.1	14	14.3	13	13.3	98
	CEDAR	3	15.8	0	0.0	5	26.3	19
	CHRISTIAN	3	2.7	15	13.3	6	5.3	113
	DADE	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	37.5	8
	DALLAS	1	3.3	3	10.0	7	23.3	30
	DOUGLAS	1	2.3	2	4.7	15	34.9	43
	GREENE	23	2.4	42	4.4	139	14.7	945
	HENRY	0	0.0	18	16.7	10	9.3	108
	HICKORY	0	0.0	0	0.0	11	37.9	29
	JASPER	2	1.0	6	3.1	72	36.9	195
	LACLEDE	4	2.7	24	16.2	15	10.1	148
	LAWRENCE	7	7.6	11	12.0	10	10.9	92
	MCDONALD	6	5.7	16	15.2	14	13.3	105
	MARIES	1	9.1	5	45.5	2	18.2	11
	MILLER	2	2.2	13	14.4	13	14.4	90
	MONITEAU	1	9.1	1	9.1	2	18.2	11
	MORGAN	1	2.4	3	7.3	16	39.0	41
	NEWTON	1	1.0	0	0.0	49	50.0	98
	OZARK	1	3.1	0	0.0	7	21.9	32
	PHELPS	5	5.0	8	7.9	33	32.7	101
	POLK	0	0.0	3	5.4	9	16.1	56
	PULASKI	4	3.1	4	3.1	24	18.8	128
	ST CLAIR	1	2.1	1	2.1	1	2.1	47
	STONE	4	6.4	5	7.9	20	31.8	63
	TANEY	4	2.7	35	23.8	11	7.5	147
	TEXAS	5	9.3	0	0.0	27	50.0	54
	VERNON	5	4.6	8	7.4	18	16.7	108
	WEBSTER	0	0.0	3	5.5	13	23.6	55
	WRIGHT	3	2.5	14	11.7	15	12.5	120
	* AREA TOTAL *	95	2.9	285	8.7	630	19.2	3,289
AREA 5	JACKSON	75	2.9	289	11.0	419	15.9	2,635
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	6
	* AREA TOTAL *	75	2.8	289	10.9	420	15.9	2,641
AREA 6	ST LOUIS CITY	124	6.3	283	14.3	227	11.5	1,981
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
	* AREA TOTAL *	124	6.2	283	14.2	227	11.4	1,987
AREA 7	ST LOUIS COUNTY	25	2.0	212	16.8	175	13.8	1,264
	AREA OFFICE	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
	* AREA TOTAL *	25	2.0	212	16.8	175	13.8	1,265
OTHER	OUT HOME INV	24	6.4	1	0.3	99	26.5	373
	* AREA TOTAL *	24	6.4	1	0.3	99	26.5	373
STATE TOTAL		517	3.3	1,771	11.4	2,582	16.6	15,596

Percent is the percentage of total probable cause children. Percent total is greater than 100 because a child may be found probable cause for up to four categories of abuse/neglect.